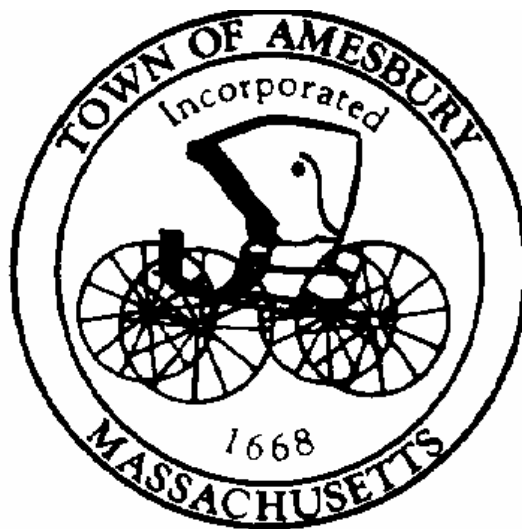


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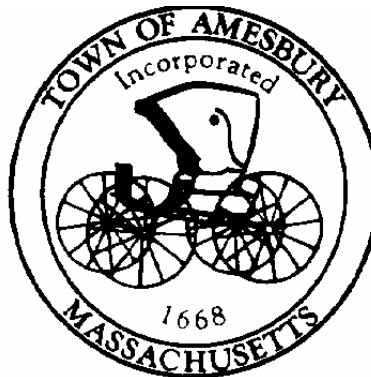
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IN MEMORIUM

Lucina M. Bourque
George A. Cashman
Charles E. Cloutier, Jr.
Cornelia M. Freeman
Joseph Gerard Gamelin
Bruce McNeely
Shirley St. Laurent

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August 24, 2007

Dear Citizen's of Amesbury,

It has been a pleasure serving as your elected Mayor and I look forward to another productive year. It has been a year of building upon the work I initiated when I came into office in January 2006. Much of the efforts I have focused on have been to improve our capabilities as a local government to deliver excellent municipal services and control costs.

Over the past year I have continued the effort to apply a professional and deliberate approach to decision-making, using comprehensive planning, enhancing the capabilities of the professional staff and citizen volunteers and making informed decisions with an eye toward the long-term impact of every decision. By doing this, I believe we achieve a healthy balance of delivering excellent municipal services and controlling costs.

Below are some of the programs, issues and improvements I have focused on this year:

Development of AmesStat Program: AmesStat is a management tool that focuses on data, trend analysis and updates to track and manage performance and spending. Throughout this Annual Report you will see a small sample of the information I receive on a bi-weekly basis from division heads and department leaders. The information is presented along with prior year data to track our performance, highlight anomalies and project activities into the year. The information has helped us set goals for service delivery, ensure follow-through on critical initiatives, identify potential challenges before they become a crisis, and control spending.

Phase II of Permit Process Improvements: Last year I created and received funding for the critically needed position of Permitting Coordinator within the Department of Economic & Community Development. In just one short year the coordinator has improved the communication and interaction between boards, staff and applicants. Phase II of the permit improvements has focused on tracking and managing permitting data. This year I secured \$25,000 in funding from the Merrimack Valley Economic Development Council for permitting software. The software will track permit requests through the cycle of reviews and approvals, as well as track permit fees. The software also serves as a data source for reporting on duration of permit processing, identify delays in the system and opportunities to continue to streamline the process. These improvements will help us avoid costly delays and improve our economic development efforts.

Stabilization Fund: The stabilization fund is an important tool for managing and planning for Amesbury's future. It serves as our rainy day fund that can be utilized when needed for one-time expenses. In 2007, I increased the stabilization fund by \$120,000. Combining that with

the \$100,000 from the previous year, I have nearly doubled the stabilization fund to \$500,000 in two short years. Though this marks an important milestone, we will need to continue increasing the fund over the next few years. Doing so will have a positive impact on our bond rating and lower our future borrowing costs.

Lower Millyard and Riverwalk: With the renovation of the Upper Millyard complete, even more focus will be placed on the development of the Lower Millyard. This year, through meetings with Mass Highway, I was able to secure a \$177,000 commitment from the state to pay for engineering of the stalled Riverwalk project. Working with the Planning Board and the Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority I was also able to help bring the new Transportation Center forward in the approval process. These two public oriented projects will help spur further investments from the private sector in the Lower Millyard and ultimately support the growth of our commercial and industrial tax base.

Continued Cleanup from May Floods: Communities impacted by natural disasters often face the challenge of going beyond restoration to long-term improvements that will reduce the impacts of future events. The walls of the Powow River were damaged during the Mother's Day Floods of 2006. The Federal Emergency Management Agency approved funding to restore the walls to their pre-flood conditions, which though helpful, would not prevent further damage during a future flood. I have been working with FEMA and Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency to lobby for additional funding to improve the river wall and protect it against potential damage in the future.

Capital Improvement Plan: We continue to face challenges caused by under-funded investments in public assets and infrastructure. Time and again we have seen that pennies saved today by deferring capital investments create larger costs in the future. Therefore, I have again worked with the staff to continue to improve the Capital Improvement Plan, and strengthen the argument for necessary investments. In the plan, I proposed increasing the city's debt service using sound financial management strategies to fund the necessary investments. We grouped investments into projects, and established a database to track and revise the plan as needed throughout the year.

Reorganization of Executive Branch: Coming into office I recognized that the current organizational structure would not support the service improvements I was seeking to implement. Therefore, I developed a reorganization plan that realigns functions into divisions to better set and track goals, improve interdepartmental collaborations, and limit the number of direct reports and improve the span of control. Though the Council chose to reject codification of the reorganization, I have proceeded with implementing the changes. The AmesStat meetings, the CIP, the FY08 budget and this report are organized according to my revised organizational structure.

Development of 40R District: The Town of Amesbury received approval from the Department of Housing and Community Development for its adoption of the Smart Growth Overlay District at Gateway Village. The overlay district will become a "40R district", referring to the chapter of Massachusetts General Law, and entitles Amesbury to a \$350,000 Zoning Incentive Payment from the Smart Growth Housing Trust Fund established by the state. In addition, the project raises the number of affordable housing units to over 10% of

the total housing stock, protecting Amesbury from unfriendly 40B housing developments that bypass local approval for state issued permits.

Creation of the Merrimack Valley Mayors Coalition: Replicating the mayors coalition of the metropolitan Boston area I helped start five years ago, the mayors of the Merrimack Valley formed a new coalition for collaborating and consensus-building among the Merrimack Valley communities they represent. The Merrimack Valley Mayors Coalition consists of the mayors of Amesbury, Haverhill, Lawrence, Lowell, Methuen and Newburyport. We work together to develop an environment of cooperation among elected leaders and local governments committed to the success of the Merrimack Valley. The agenda focuses on developing regional solutions for improving municipal services, reducing costs, and supporting advocacy at the state and federal level for local municipalities.

As with any organization, Amesbury has experienced changes in personnel. Those joining the city's staff include Tom Hughes our new conservation agent. Tom has significant experience in his field, has served as a Conservation Commission member in Salisbury, and is a consultant when not working in Amesbury. Sharon White joined the staff as Health Agent. Sharon has utilized more than a decade's worth of experience to bring Amesbury's establishments back into compliance with local and state health codes. The new permitting coordinator position was filled by Dayle Bell. Dayle is a resident of Amesbury, and formerly a member and secretary of the Zoning Board of Appeals. She has done a tremendous job improving the permitting process in the city and has the support of boards and applicants alike. Susan Yeames replaced Deb Carey, as the Economic and Community Development Project Coordinator. Her first year has been very busy focusing on moving forward a number of economic development projects within the city.

Those leaving us after years of dedicated service include Richard Clark who has retired after 24 years of service as Emergency Management Director. Richard has been a recognized leader in emergency preparedness for both Amesbury and the State and contributed directly to Amesbury's excellent response capabilities. Don Swenson has stepped up to the position of Emergency Management Director. Norman Dondero retired after 36 years of dedicated service with the Public Works Department as Park Caretaker, a service he was passionate about and took great pride in doing.

The city experienced a tremendous loss this year with the passing of Marc Lankin, the Public Library Director. Marc bravely fought a battle against cancer that kept him away from the Library for the majority of the year. His absence was felt by staff and citizens alike, as he was such an engaged and positive figure in the Library and city. The memory of Marc and all he has contributed to Amesbury will not easily fade, and though his passing leaves us with much sadness, we are able to celebrate the vibrant life he lived and the enduring impact he has left on Amesbury.

Finally, there are two groups I want to thank and recognize. First, the city employees for the professional work that they do and for the great strides they have made over the last year to improve the operations of the city. Second are the citizen volunteers on our boards and commissions who dedicate their free time to contribute to the city. They help make decisions in vital functions of our government and provide valuable advice and input on many matters facing the city.

I look forward to the coming year, and the tremendous work that still lies ahead to continue Amesbury on the road to success and prosperity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Thatcher W. Kezer III". The signature is written in a cursive style with a stylized "T" and "W".

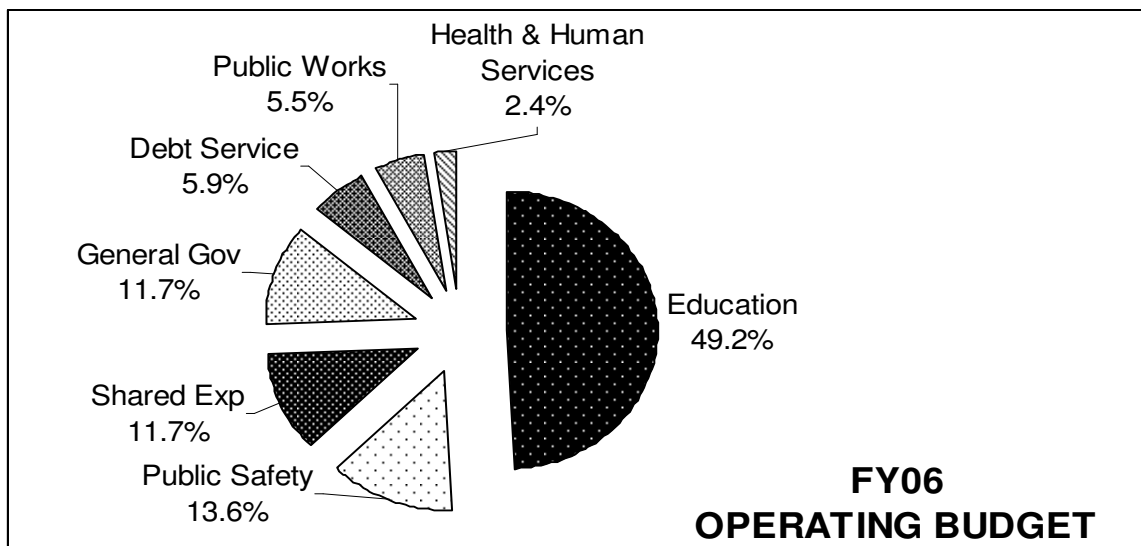
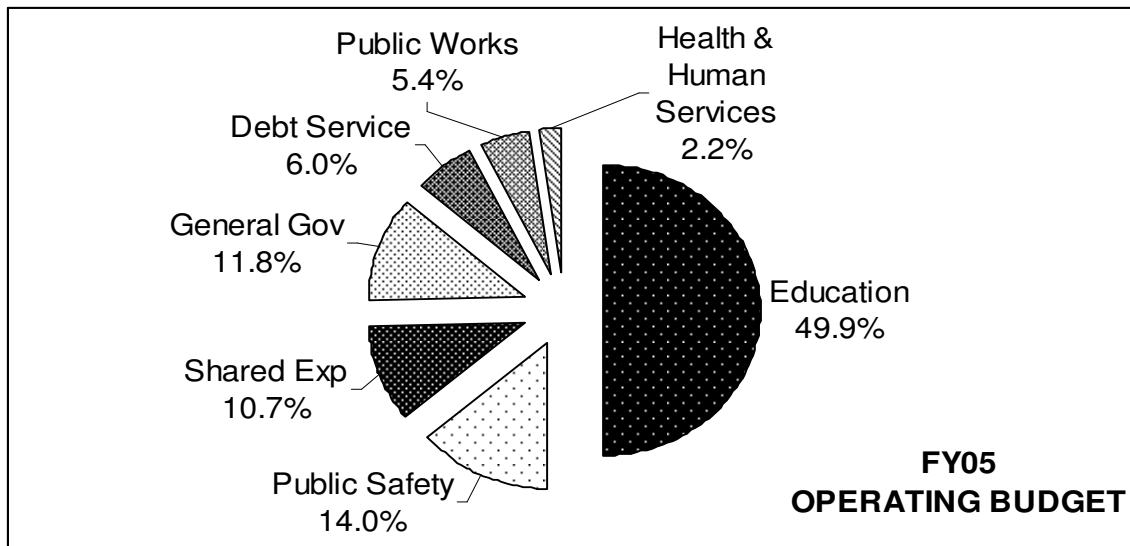
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Mayor

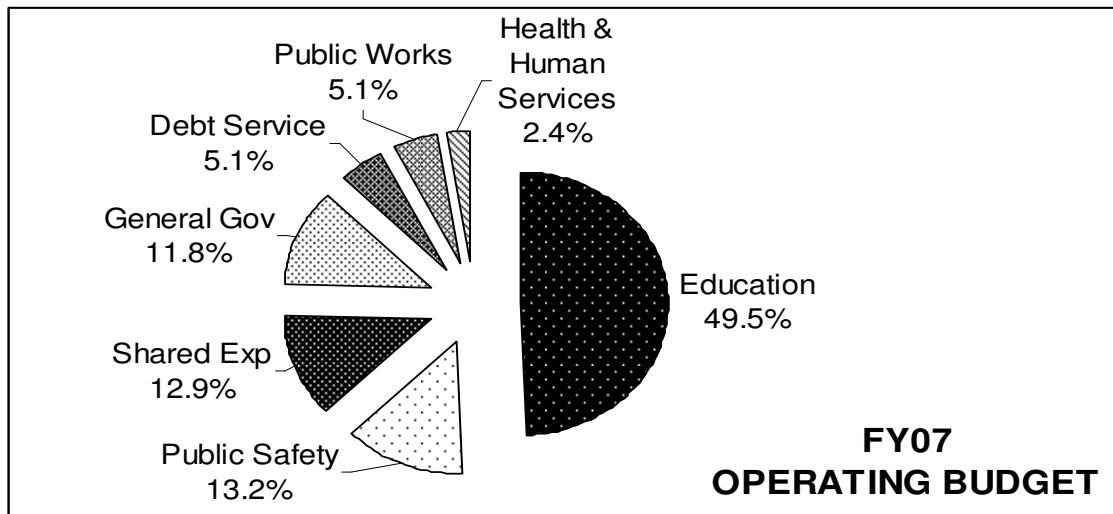
FINANCIAL HISTORY

Following is a brief financial history of the Town of Amesbury. Financial data, considered separately or in concert with other factors serves as a means to understand the position, challenges and successes of a community.

Since FY05, Amesbury has seen minor shifts in spending in key categories. Spending on Education as a percentage of the operating budget is recovering from a slight drop in FY06, going from 49.2% to 49.5% in FY07. Debt service has experienced a steady decrease from 6.0% in FY05 to 5.1% in FY07 due to refinancing and debt retirement. Public Works and Public Safety have seen steady decreases, from 5.4% and 14.0% respectively in FY05, to 5.1% and 13.2% respectively in FY07; while shared expenses including health benefits has increased from 10.7% in FY05 to 12.9%. This represents one of the largest shifts over the three years included in the comparison.

Operating Budget Breakdown





Notes:

1. Education includes regional school assessments, charter schools, school choice and special education.
2. Public Works excludes Water and Sewer Enterprise expenses.
3. Shared Expenses include employee benefits, insurance, municipal buildings, state, county and other assessments.

Financial Indicators

Bond ratings are often sighted as an indicator of a city's long-term financial health. Since 2005 Amesbury has held consistent with its bond ratings from both Moody and Standard & Poor. Amesbury continues be rated in the A category, indicating opportunities to progress with improved long-term planning strategies being developed and implemented by the Mayor's Office.

Considered in concert with the increased stabilization fund, which nearly doubled in FY07, and healthy free cash in FY06 and FY07, the city is making strides towards improving its financial position.

Bond Rating

	2005 Bond Rating	2006 Bond Rating	2007 Bond Rating
S&P	A-	A-	A-
Moody's	A3	A3	A3

Source: Department of Revenue, Division of Local Services

Standard & Poor's (S&P) rating is based on a scale from AAA to D. S&P defines an "A" rating as "more susceptible to the adverse effect of changes in circumstances and economic conditions than obligations in higher-ranked categories. However, the obligators capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation is still strong." The higher ranks are "AA" and "AAA".

Moody's rating is based on a scale from "Aaa" to "C" and includes numbers to indicate the range a bond is in, relative to its lettered category. Moody defines an "A" rating as "possessing many favorable investment attributes and is to be considered as upper medium-grade

obligations. Factors giving security to principal and interest are considered adequate, but elements may be present which suggest a susceptibility to impairment some time in the future". The higher ranks are "Aa" and "Aaa".

Stabilization Fund

FY Stabilization	Stabilization Fund	Stabilization Fund as % of Budget
2000	2,400	0.01
2001	0	0.00
2002	2,623	0.01
2003	22,768	0.05
2004	73,240	0.15
2005	176,086	0.35
2006	283,001	0.56
2007	503,001	0.99

Notes:

1. FY07 % of Budget estimate.

Source: Department of Revenue, Division of Local Services

A stabilization fund is a mechanism for setting aside money either for unforeseen needs or for capital projects, according to the Division of Local Services. Such a fund is intended to equalize the effect of capital expenditures over time and to provide a "rainy day" fund.

Free Cash

FY Budget & Free Cash	Total Budget	Free Cash	Free Cash as % of Budget
2000	38,831,771	830,507	2.14
2001	42,093,062	(157,465)	(0.37)
2002	43,888,730		0.00
2003	44,676,120	(299,651)	(0.67)
2004	46,504,282	431,027	0.93
2005	47,357,904	173,386	0.37
2006	50,484,926	776,700	1.54
2007	50,933,052	468,965	0.92

Source: Department of Revenue, Division of Local Services

According to the Division of Local Services, free cash is the amount a community has accumulated when actual revenue collections exceed the budget estimates used when setting the tax rate and/or actual expenditures and encumbrances (committed funds not yet expended) are less than appropriations. Free cash is a necessary component of sound local fiscal management and one indicator of fiscal health that can positively affect bond ratings and reduce borrowing costs.

Revenues and Tax Rate

Amesbury's residential tax rate is a much discussed topic within the community. With a tax rate ranked as high as 53rd in the state in FY04 and currently 67th (FY07) out of 339 communities, the focus continues to be on controlling taxes.

Factors that are tied to the tax rate include parcel counts, average values and state aid to offset expenses. Tied to the housing boom of the first half of the decade, the average single family home experienced a 115% increase in real estate value.

In addition, the number of residential parcels have outpaced commercial and industrial parcel growth. From 2000 to 2007 residential parcels increased by 457 parcels or 9.7%, while commercial and industrial have experienced a net decrease of 5% from 324 parcels to 307. These two factors have contributed to the shift in tax burden to the residential tax base.

Finally, reductions in state aid used to offset government expenses have continued to impact tax rates. Though 2007 saw some recovery from the prior year's reduction, Amesbury has seen a \$3,500,000 net decrease in state aid since 2000.

Tax History

FY	Average Value	Tax Rate	Single Family Tax Bill	Dollar Increase	State Hi-Lo Rank	# of Towns Included
2000	170,494	17.88	3,048		82	340
2001	190,592	18.28	3,484	436	64	340
2002	222,880	17.64	3,932	448	55	340
2003	238,504	17.20	4,102	170	57	340
2004	280,213	15.76	4,416	314	53	340
2005	320,493	14.24	4,564	148	57	340
2006	353,914	13.59	4,810	246	61	338
2007*	366,423	13.16	4,822	12	67	339

Notes:

1. In 2007 Amesbury split its tax rate, shifting 15% of the tax burden from the residential rate to the commercial/industrial rate.

Source: Department of Revenue, Division of Local Services

Parcel Count By Property Class

FY	Single Fam	Multi Fam	Condo	Apt	Misc. Res	Vacant Land	Com	Industrial	Other	Total
2000	3,105	515	1,009	71	60	423	222	102	168	5,675
2001	3,099	511	1,015	71	56	413	219	100	205	5,689
2002	3,132	508	1,025	70	53	401	214	99	216	5,718
2003	3,157	506	1,040	70	51	383	209	97	208	5,721
2004	3,190	497	1,076	70	47	378	219	97	212	5,786
2005	3,225	478	1,183	72	41	392	219	97	203	5,910
2006	3,261	467	1,257	68	41	417	219	92	239	6,061
2007	3,304	455	1,335	63	42	378	217	90	230	6,114

Source: Department of Revenue, Division of Local Services

Net State Aid

FY	Receipts	Assessments	Net	Variance from Year Prior
2000	13,041,017	393,376	12,647,641	
2001	13,692,105	397,432	13,294,673	647,032
2002	13,843,674	433,149	13,410,525	115,852
2003	13,771,278	558,675	13,212,603	(197,922)
2004	12,585,386	2,262,072	10,323,314	(2,889,289)
2005	12,624,070	2,298,742	10,325,328	2,014
2006	11,351,838	2,414,734	8,937,104	(1,388,224)
2007	11,814,376	2,654,961	9,159,415	222,311
Total Variance from 2000 to 2007				(3,488,226)

Source: Department of Revenue, Division of Local Services

With improved long-term planning tools, growth in the stabilization fund, and other financial controls and efforts, the city is moving forward towards a more stable future.

GOVERNMENT

MAYOR: Thatcher W. Kezer, III – Term to Expire 2007

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL: Terms to Expire 2007

Christopher G. Lawrence, President	Donna M. McClure	Robert W. Lavoie
Michelle M. Thone, Vice President	Mario J. Pinierio	Alison M. Lindstrom
Roger S. Benson	Ann Connolly King	
Hank A. Brennick (Res. 2/07)	Thomas K. Iacobucci (Appt. 3/07)	

CITY ROLES

Animal Control Officer	Eileen Cashman
Assessor	Mary Marino
Chief Financial Officer/Town Accountant	Michael Basque
Chief of Staff	Kendra Amaral
Chief Operator Waste Water Division	Ed Crovetti
Chief Operator Water Systems Manager	Jeff Mason
City Services Superintendant	Rick Spinale
Community & Economic Development Director	Joseph Fahey
Conservation Agent	Thomas Hughes
Council on Aging Director	Pamela Brown
Emergency Management Director	Richard Clark
Fire Chief	William Shute
Health Agent	Sharon White
Housing Authority Exec. Director	Robert Mazzone
Information Services Director	Anne Verret-Speck
Library Director	Marc Lankin
Police Chief	Michael A. Cronin
Public Health Nurse	Terry Arsenault
Public Works Director	Brian Gilbert
Superintendant of Schools	Charles Chaurette
Town Clerk/Clerk to Municipal Council	Bonnijo Kitchin
Town Counsel	Kopelman & Paige, P.C.
Town Engineer	Rob Desmarais
Treasurer/Collector	Deborah Ventura
Veterans Services Director	Ron Koontz
Youth Services Director	Kathy Crowley
Zoning Officer/Building Commissioner	Denis Nadeau

ELECTED BOARDS

AMESBURY HOUSING AUTHORITY

Phillip Dandurant (2007)	Janet R. Savoie (2009) (res. 7/06)
Bruce A. McNeely (2007) (Deceased)	Raymond Shockey (2007)
Lawrence J. Quinn (2007)	Albert R. Landry (2009)

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Thatcher W. Kezer III (2007) Chair	Stanley Schwartz (2007)
Debra Bibeau (2007)	Paula J. Blair (2009)
Deborah A. Comick (2007)	Gale A. Hanshaw (2009)
Bonnie Schultz (2007)	

AMESBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Jeannine T. Bailey (2009) Chair	Debra J. Provost (2007)
Nancy L. George (2007)	Sydney Baily-Gould (2009)
Dallas W. Haines III (2007)	Ann J. Iacobucci (2009)
Christine M. Johnson (2007)	Jana Parenteau (2009) (res. 9/06)
Marie B. Messner (2007)	Susan M. Zielinski (2009)

PLANNING BOARD

Michael A. Browne (2009) Chair	Hilary Ward (2007)
John R. MacDonald (2007)	Howard G. Dalton (2009)
Ara Sanentz (2007)	Marguerite L. Zaganis (2009)
Karen E. Solstad (2007)	

APPOINTED BOARDS

ZONGIN BOARD OF APPEALS BOARD

Matthew J. Sherrill (2010) Chair	Susan P. Egan (2011)
Roger Stone (2007)	Sharon McDermot (2008) (Assoc.)
Olyce Moore (2008)	Robert Brennan (2009) (Assoc.)
Donna Collins (2009)	

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Debra P. Dow (2008) Chair	John Cena (2009)
Damian A. Johnson (2007)	

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

William J Croteau, Jr. (2009) Chair	Normand W. Pare (2008)
Robert E. Gaudet (2007)	Bonnijo Kitchin, Ex Officio

BOARD OF HEALTH

Phillip Yetman (2009) Chair	Barbara Kingsley Hathaway (2008)
Michelle Parsons (2007)	Jessica Schoonmaker (2009)
John Rizza, DMD (2007)	

HEALTH CARE TRUST COMMISSION

Ganson Purcell, Jr. (2007)
Rev. Philip Winders (2007)
Michelle Butler (2008)

Rev. John W. Gentleman (2009)
Rachel McKenzie (Anna Jacques Hospital
Representative)

CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Gerard T. Dionne
Frank J. Gurczak

Marie Lagace
John J. Swistak

CEMETERY COMMISSION

Geoffrey Butler (2007)
Jane Snow (2008)

Joseph Sielicki (2009)

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

John P. Chasse (2009) Chair
Timothy Wheeler (2007)(res.10/06)
Thornton Lallier (2008)
Corey Riley (2008)

Mary Ellen Shirshac (2008)(res.10/06)
Steven J. Langlois (2009)
David F. Lovering (2010)

CONSTABLE

George A. Cashman (2006) (Deceased)

James W. Humphries (2007)

COUNCIL ON AGING

Lorraine C. Dodier (2007)
Carol Doherty (2007)
Kathleen Kaminski (2007)
Mary Lee Ford (2007)
Paula Pelletier (2007)
Teresa Axten (2008)
William Axten (2008) (res.12/05)
Carol A. Casey (2008)
Ann Cote (2008)

Ferolyn Harris (2008)
Joanne Peatfield (2008)
Diane Wigmore (2008)
Mary Jean Ballard (2009)
Marcia Gilmore (2009)
Joanne McCarthy (2009)
Jean Little-Bruce (2009) (res.11/06)
Helen Sullivan (2009)

CULTURAL COUNCIL

Joanna Hammond (2008) Co-Chair
Amy Sherwood (2008) Co-Chair
Melissa McElaney (2007)
Michael Abt (2008)
Peter Bodge (2008)
Renee Donahue (2008)
Eileen Dougherty (2008)

Susan Earabino (2008)
Shannon Hays (2008) (res.1/07)
Robert Martin (2008)
Marc Lisle (2009)
Mindy Moore (2009)
Brian Thompson (2009)
Lenny Turnquist (2009)

DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE

John Emerson (2007)
Scott Brown (2009)
Tracy Healy (2009)

Lars Johannessen (2007) (Assoc.)
Curtis Wollitz (2008) (Assoc.)

FENCE VIEWERS

Bret Green (2007)

Bernice Nagle (2007)

HARBORMASTER

Jackson Bailey

Paul Hudon - Assistant (2008)

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Sue Dowd (2007)
Juliann MacDonald (2007)
Lars Johannessen (2008)
Steven A. Klomps (2008)

Jacqueline Talbot-Hire (2008)
R. Scott Penoyer (2009)
Jay S. Williamson (2009)

LAKES & WATERWAYS

James Babbin (2009) Chair
Bruce Georgian (2007)
Todd McGrath (2007)
Cynthia Roberts (2008)
Gregory Roy (2009)

Mark J. Sydlowski (2010)
John Vigliotti (2007) (Assoc.)
Nathan Gray (2008) (Assoc.)
Jay Knapp (2008) (Assoc.)

LANDRY STADIUM MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

Stephen G. Bibeau (2007)
Les Anderson (2008)
Julie A. Ganong (2008)

H. Michael Vedrani, Jr (2008)
Roger Gaumont (2009)
David Poulin (2009)

LIQUOR COMMISSION

James O'Leary (2007)

Caroline Wilichoski (2009)

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

John Maneikis (2008)
David Cancel (2009)
Daniel Ouellet (2009)
Robin Willmot (2009)

Mark P. Tanzella (2010)
David E. Marcus (2007) (Assoc.) (res. 9/06)
Mary Schuberth (2008) (Assoc.)

RETIREMENT BOARD

Charles Benevento
Michael Cronin
Cornelia Freeman (Deceased)

Barbara Moore
Michael Basque (Ex-officio)

TRUSTEES OF WAR MEMORIAL

Harold A. Burke (2008)
John B. Brohel (2008)
John R. Carter (2009)

Lillian J. Eaton (2009)
Jack Moughan (2009)

TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Hank Brennick (Res.)
Stephen Buonomo
Glenn Chaput

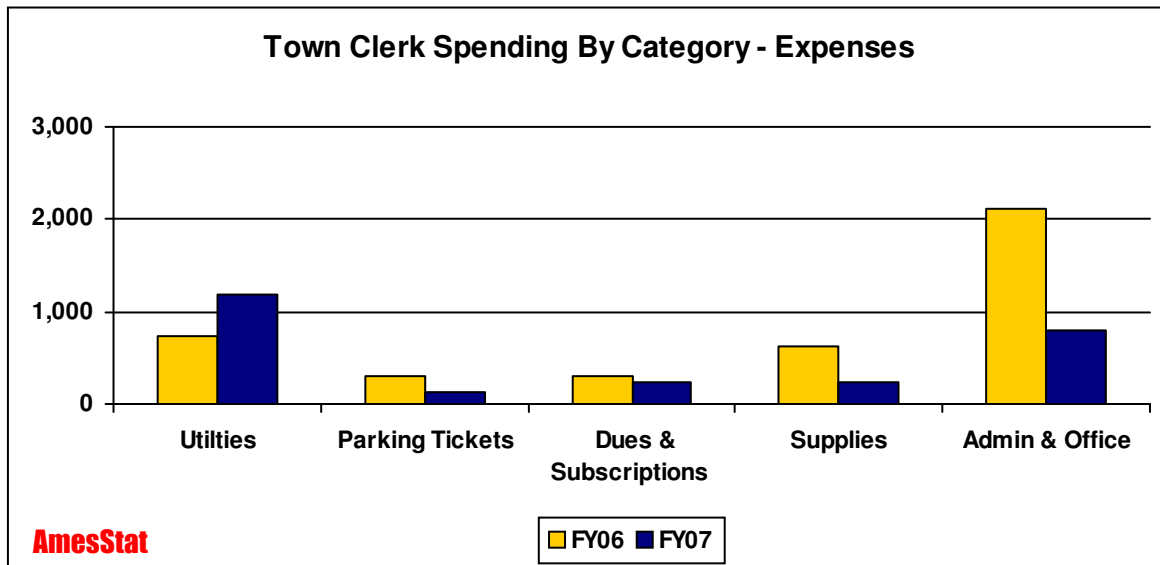
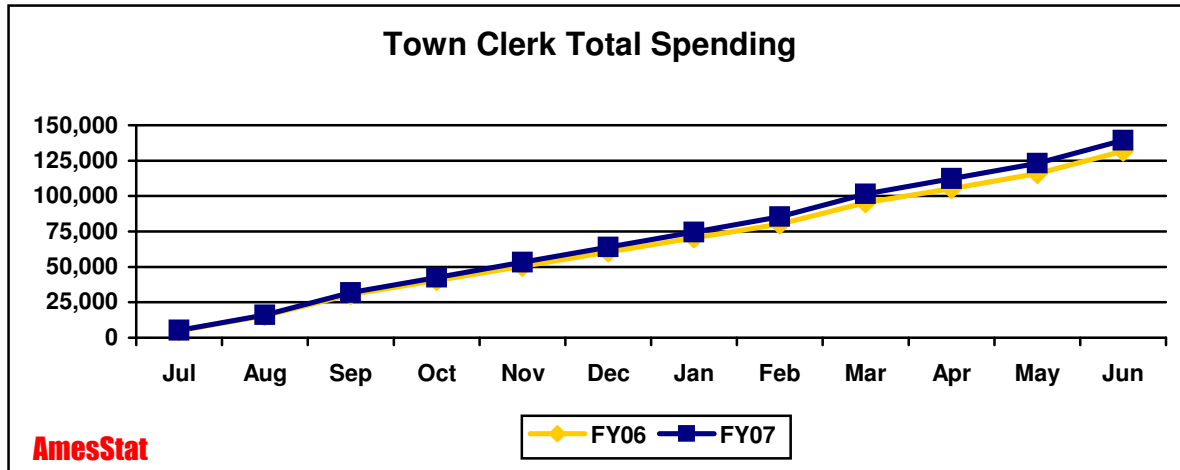
Eric Eby
William Lavoie (Res)
Jane Siebecker (Res.)

TREE BOARD

Richard R. Gale (2007)
Ryan Guilbault (2008)

Karen L. Cyr (2009)

TOWN CLERK



Death Records

	FY06	FY07
Male	81	80
Female	77	75

	FY06	FY07
Residents Died in Amesbury	75	65
Residents Died Out of Town	57	67
Non Residents Died in Amesbury	26	23

Birth Records

	FY06	FY07
Male	75	89
Female	105	103

	FY06	FY07
Marriages Recorded	114	86

Licenses

	FY06	FY07
Dog	1,124	1,012
Fishing	196	216
Hunting	45	41
Sporting	45	48
Waterfowl Stamps	23	19
RMS Stamps	46	43
Archery Stamps	25	32

ELECTIONS
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

WARRANT FOR STATE PRIMARY

SS.

To either of the Constables of the City of Amesbury

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said City who are qualified to vote in Primaries to vote at

1,2,3,4,5,6

(Districts)

Town Hall Auditorium, 62 Friend Street

(Polling Location)

On **TUESDAY, THE NINETEENTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2006**, from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. for the following purpose:

To cast their votes in the State Primary for the candidates of political parties for the following offices:

SENATOR IN CONGRESS	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
GOVERNOR	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
ATTORNEY GENERAL	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
SECRETARY OF STATE.	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
TREASURER	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
AUDITOR	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS	SIXTH DISTRICT
COUNCILLOR	FTH DISTRICT
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT	FIRST ESSEX DISTRICT
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.	FIRST ESSEX DISTRICT
DISTRICT ATTORNEY	EASTERN DISTRICT
CLERK OF COURTS.	ESSEX COUNTY
REGISTER OF DEEDS.	ESSEX SOUTHERN DISTRICT

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said voting.

Given under our hands this 8th day of September, 2006.

Christopher Lawrence

Donna McClure

Ann Connolly King

Mario Pinerio

Roger Benson

Michelle Thone

Councillors of: AMESBURY

City Of Amesbury
State Primary, September 19, 2006

OFFICE: Senator in Congress							
NAME	# Votes	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec 3	Prec. 4	Prec. 5	Prec. 6
Democrat							
Edward M. Kennedy	1486	302	226	283	176	231	268
All Other	16	5	0	3	0	3	5
Blanks	385	75	61	68	42	87	52
Total	1887	382	287	354	218	321	325
Republican							
Kenneth G. Chase	48	9	2	10	7	10	10
Kevin P. Scott	102	19	12	24	13	15	19
All Other	21	5	2	6	2	4	2
Blanks	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Total	172	33	16	40	23	29	31

OFFICE: Governor							
NAME	# Votes	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec 3	Prec. 4	Prec. 5	Prec. 6
Democrat							
Christopher F. Gabrieli	522	124	74	96	56	90	82
Deval L. Patrick	1065	214	161	222	113	174	181
Thomas F. Reilly	296	42	51	35	49	57	62
All Other	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Blanks	3	1	1	1	0	0	0
Total	1887	382	287	354	218	321	325
Republican							
Kerry Healey	143	27	10	37	19	23	27
All Other	11	2	1	0	3	3	2
Blanks	18	4	5	3	1	3	2
Total	172	33	16	40	23	29	31

OFFICE: Lieutenant Governor							
NAME	# Votes	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec 3	Prec. 4	Prec. 5	Prec. 6
Democrat							
Deborah B. Goldberg	600	123	96	115	65	103	98
Timothy P. Murray	548	102	86	104	72	92	92
Andrea C. Silbert	538	115	76	96	63	86	102
All Other	2	0	0	0	0	1	1
Blanks	199	42	29	39	18	39	32
Total	1887	382	287	354	218	321	325
Republican							
Reed V. Hillman	120	21	9	30	16	18	26
All Other	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Blanks	51	11	7	10	7	11	5
Totals	172	33	16	40	23	29	31

OFFICE: Attorney General							
NAME	# Votes	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec 3	Prec. 4	Prec. 5	Prec. 6
Democrat							
Martha Coakley	1322	266	200	258	160	211	227
All Other	7	1	1	2	0	2	1
Blanks	558	115	86	94	58	108	97
Totals	1887	382	287	354	218	321	325
Republican							
Larry Frisoli	119	21	9	28	14	18	29
All Other	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Blanks	52	11	7	12	9	11	2
Total	172	33	16	40	23	29	31

OFFICE: Secretary of State							
NAME	# Votes	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec 3	Prec. 4	Prec. 5	Prec. 6
Democrat							
William Francis Galvin	1247	255	181	234	151	203	223
John Bonifaz	271	56	49	45	31	54	36
All Other	2	0	0	1	0	1	0
Blanks	367	71	57	74	36	63	66
Totals	1887	<u>382</u>	<u>287</u>	<u>354</u>	<u>218</u>	<u>321</u>	<u>325</u>
Republican							
All Other	7	2	3	2	0	0	0
Blanks	165	31	13	38	23	29	31
Totals	172	<u>33</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>31</u>

OFFICE: Treasurer							
NAME	# Votes	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec 3	Prec. 4	Prec. 5	Prec. 6
Democrat							
Timothy P. Cahill	1312	271	197	243	161	213	227
All Other	4	0	1	0	0	3	0
Blanks	571	111	89	111	57	105	98
Totals	1887	382	287	354	218	321	325
Republican							
All Other	5	1	3	1	0	0	0
Blanks	167	32	13	39	23	29	31
Totals	172	33	16	40	23	29	31

OFFICE: Auditor							
NAME	# Votes	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec 3	Prec. 4	Prec. 5	Prec. 6
Democrat							
A. Joseph DeNucci	1232	258	190	223	149	198	214
All Other	4	1	0	0	0	3	0
Blanks	651	123	97	131	69	120	111
OFFICE: Auditor							
NAME	# Votes	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec 3	Prec. 4	Prec. 5	Prec. 6
Democrat							
Totals	1887	382	287	354	218	321	325

Republican	# Votes	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec 3	Prec. 4	Prec. 5	Prec. 6
All Other	7	1	4	1	0	1	0
Blanks	165	32	12	39	23	28	31
Totals	172	33	16	40	23	29	31

OFFICE: Representative in Congress							
NAME	# Votes	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec 3	Prec. 4	Prec. 5	Prec. 6
Democrat							
John F. Tierney	1410	281	218	265	167	221	258
All Other	6	2	0	0	0	3	1
Blanks	471	99	69	89	51	97	66
Totals	1887	382	287	354	218	321	325
Republican							
Richard W. Barton	120	23	5	29	18	20	25
All Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blanks	52	10	11	11	5	9	6
Totals	172	33	16	40	23	29	31

OFFICE: Councillor							
NAME	# Votes	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec 3	Prec. 4	Prec. 5	Prec. 6
Democrat							
Mary-Ellen Manning	1134	229	177	206	137	184	201
All Other	5	1	0	1	0	2	1
Blanks	748	152	110	147	81	135	123
Totals	1887	382	287	354	218	321	325
Republican							
All Other	6	1	3	1	0	1	0
Blanks	166	32	13	39	23	28	31
Totals	172	33	16	40	23	29	31

OFFICE: Senator in General Court							
NAME	# Votes	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec 3	Prec. 4	Prec. 5	Prec. 6
Democrat							
Steven A. Baddour	1315	264	206	239	156	216	234
All Other	8	1	0	1	1	4	1
Blanks	564	117	81	114	61	101	90
Totals	1887	382	287	354	218	321	325
Republican							
All Other	7	1	3	2	0	1	0
Blanks	165	32	13	38	23	28	31
Totals	172	33	16	40	23	29	31

OFFICE: Representative in General Court							
NAME	# Votes	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec 3	Prec. 4	Prec. 5	Prec. 6
Democrat							
Michael A. Costello	1333	265	209	248	168	208	235
All Other	9	0	1	1	0	4	3
Blanks	545	117	77	105	50	109	87
Totals	1887	382	287	354	218	321	325

Republican	# Votes	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec 3	Prec. 4	Prec. 5	Prec. 6
All Other	6	1	3	2	0	0	0
Blanks	166	32	13	38	23	29	31
Totals	172	33	16	40	23	29	31

OFFICE: District Attorney							
NAME	# Votes	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec 3	Prec. 4	Prec. 5	Prec. 6
Democrat							
Jonathan W. Blodgett	1220	247	186	227	150	191	219
All Other	6	3	0	1	0	2	0
Blanks	661	132	101	126	68	128	106
Totals	1887	382	287	354	218	321	325
Republican							
All Other	6	1	3	2	0	0	0
Blanks	166	32	13	38	23	29	31
Totals	172	33	16	40	23	29	31

OFFICE: Clerk of Courts							
NAME	# Votes	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec 3	Prec. 4	Prec. 5	Prec. 6
Democrat							
Thomas H. Driscoll, Jr.	1174	237	183	213	142	191	208
All Other	5	1	1	1	0	2	0
Blanks	708	144	103	140	76	128	117
Totals	1887	382	287	354	218	321	325
Republican							
All Other	6	1	3	2	0	0	0
Blanks	166	32	13	38	23	29	31
Totals	172	33	16	40	23	29	31

OFFICE: Register of Deeds							
NAME	# Votes	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec 3	Prec. 4	Prec. 5	Prec. 6
Democrat							
John L. O'Brien, Jr.	1191	243	185	212	144	197	210
All Other	6	3	0	0	0	3	0
Blanks	690	136	102	142	74	121	115
Totals	1887	382	287	354	218	321	325
Republican							

OFFICE: Register of Deeds							
NAME	# Votes	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec 3	Prec. 4	Prec. 5	Prec. 6
Republican							
All Other	7	2	3	2	0	0	0
Blanks	165	31	13	38	23	29	31
Totals	172	33	16	40	23	29	31

Total Democrats	3,097
Total Republicans	1,623
Total Unenrolled	5,939
Total Eligible Voters	10,659
Total of Votes 9/19/06	2,059
Percentage of Voters 9/19/06	19%

WARRANT FOR STATE ELECTION

SS.

To either of the Constables of the City of Amesbury

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said City who are qualified to vote in State Election to vote at

1,2,3,4,5,6

(Districts)

Town Hall Auditorium, 62 Friend Street

(Polling Location)

On **TUESDAY, THE SEVENTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2006**, from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. for the following purpose:

To cast their votes in the State Election for the candidates of political parties for the following offices:

SENATOR IN CONGRESS	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
GOVERNOR /LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.. . . .	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
ATTORNEY GENERAL	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
SECRETARY OF STATE.	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
TREASURER	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
AUDITOR	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS	SIXTH DISTRICT
COUNCILLOR	FIFTH DISTRICT
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT	FIRST ESSEX DISTRICT
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.	FIRST ESSEX DISTRICT
DISTRICT ATTORNEY	EASTERN DISTRICT
CLERK OF COURTS.	ESSEX COUNTY
REGISTER OF DEEDS.	ESSEX SOUTHERN DISTRICT

QUESTION 1: Law Proposed by Initiative Petition

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives before May 3, 2006?

SUMMARY

This proposed law would allow local licensing authorities to issue licenses for food stores to sell wine. The proposed law defines a "food store" as a retail vendor, such as a grocery store, supermarket, shop, club, outlet, or warehouse-type seller, that sells food to consumers to be eaten elsewhere (which must include meat, poultry, dairy products, eggs, fresh fruit and produce, and other specified items), and that may sell other items usually found in grocery stores. Holders of licenses to sell wine at food stores could sell wine either on its own or together with any other items they sell.

The licensing authorities in any city or town of up to 5000 residents could issue up to 5 licenses for food stores to sell wine. In cities or towns of over 5000 residents, one additional license could be issued for each additional 5000 residents (or fraction of 5000). No person or business could hold more than 10% of the total number of the licenses that could be issued under the proposed law. Such licenses would not be counted when applying the laws that limit the number of other kinds of alcoholic beverage licenses that may be issued or held. Any applicant for a license would have to be approved by the state Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission, and any individual applicant would have to be at least 21 years old and not have been convicted of a felony.

In issuing any licenses for food stores to sell wine, local licensing authorities would have to use the same procedures that apply to other licenses for the retail sale of alcoholic beverages. Except where the proposed law has different terms, the same laws that apply to issuance, renewal, suspension and termination of licenses for retail sales of alcoholic beverages which are not to be consumed on the seller's premises, and that apply to the operations of holders of such licenses, would govern licenses to sell wine at food stores, and the operation of holders of such licenses. Local authorities could set fees for issuing and renewing such licenses.

A YES VOTE would create a new category of licenses for food stores to sell wine, and it would allow local licensing authorities to issue such licenses.

A NO VOTE would make no change in the laws concerning the sale of wine.

QUESTION 2: Law Proposed by Initiative Petition

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives before May 3, 2006?

SUMMARY

This proposed law would allow candidates for public office to be nominated by more than one political party or political designation, to have their names appear on the ballot once for each nomination, and to have their votes counted separately for each nomination but then added together to determine the winner of the election.

The proposed law would repeal an existing requirement that in order to appear on the state primary ballot as a candidate for a political party's nomination for certain offices, a person cannot have been enrolled in any other party during the preceding year. The requirement applies to candidates for nomination for statewide office, representative in Congress, governor's councillor, member of the state Legislature, district attorney, clerk of court, register of probate, register of deeds, county commissioner, sheriff, and county treasurer. The proposed law would also allow any person to appear on the primary ballot as a candidate for a party's nomination for those offices if the party's state committee gave its written consent. The proposed law would also repeal the existing requirement that in order to be nominated to appear as an unenrolled candidate on the state election ballot, or on any city or town ballot following a primary, a person cannot have been enrolled in any political party during the 90 days before the deadline for filing nomination papers.

The proposed law would provide that if a candidate were nominated by more than one party or political designation, instead of the candidate's name being printed on the ballot once, with the candidate allowed to choose the order in which the party or political designation names appear

after the candidate's name, the candidate's name would appear multiple times, once for each nomination received. The candidate would decide the order in which the party or political designation nominations would appear, except that all parties would be listed before all political designations. The ballot would allow voters who vote for a candidate nominated by multiple parties or political designations to vote for that candidate under the party or political designation line of their choice.

If a voter voted for the same candidate for the same office on multiple party or political designation lines, the ballot would remain valid but would be counted as a single vote for the candidate on a line without a party or political designation. If voting technology allowed, voting machines would be required to prevent a voter from voting more than the number of times permitted for any one office.

The proposed law would provide that if a candidate received votes under more than one party or political designation, the votes would be combined for purposes of determining whether the candidate had won the election. The total number of votes each candidate received under each party or political designation would be recorded. Election officials would announce and record both the aggregate totals and the total by party or political designation.

The proposed law would allow a political party to obtain official recognition if its candidate had obtained at least 3% of the vote for any statewide office at either of the two most recent state elections, instead of at only the most recent state election as under current law.

The proposed law would allow a person nominated as a candidate for any state, city or town office to withdraw his name from nomination within six days after any party's primary election for that office, whether or not the person sought nomination or was nominated in that primary. Any candidate who withdrew from an election could not be listed on the ballot for that election, regardless of whether the candidate received multiple nominations.

The proposed law states that if any of its parts were declared invalid, the other parts would stay in effect.

A YES VOTE would allow a candidate for public office to be nominated for the same office by more than one political party or political designation at the same election.

A NO VOTE would make no change in the laws concerning nomination of candidates for public office.

QUESTION 3: Law Proposed by Initiative Petition

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives before May 3, 2006?

SUMMARY

This proposed law would allow licensed and other authorized providers of child care in private homes under the state's subsidized child care system to bargain collectively with the relevant state agencies about all terms and conditions of the provision of child care services under the state's child care assistance program and its regulations.

Under the proposed law, these family child care providers who provide state-subsidized child care would not be considered public employees, but if 30% of the providers gave written authorization for an employee organization to be their exclusive representative in collective bargaining, the state Labor Relations Commission would hold a secret mail ballot election on whether to certify that organization as the exclusive representative. Parts of the state's public employee labor relations law and regulations would apply to the election and collective bargaining processes. The proposed law would not authorize providers to engage in a strike or other refusal to deliver child care services.

An exclusive representative, if certified, could then communicate with providers to develop and present a proposal to the state agencies concerning the terms and conditions of child care provider services. The proposed law would then require the parties to negotiate in good faith to try to reach a binding agreement. If the agreed-upon terms and conditions required changes in existing regulations, the state agencies could not finally agree to the terms until they completed the required procedures for changing regulations and any cost items agreed to by the parties had been approved by the state Legislature. If any actions taken under the proposed law required spending state funds, that spending would be subject to appropriation by the Legislature. Any complaint that one of the parties was refusing to negotiate in good faith could be filed with and ruled upon by the Labor Relations Commission. An exclusive representative could collect a fee from providers for the costs of representing them.

An exclusive representative could be de-certified under Commission regulations and procedures if certain conditions were met. The Commission could not accept a decertification petition for at least 2 years after the first exclusive representative was certified, and any such petition would have to be supported by 50% or more of the total number of providers. The Commission would then hold a secret mail ballot election for the providers to vote on whether to decertify the exclusive representative.

The proposed law states that activities carried out under it would be exempt from federal anti-trust laws. The proposed law states that if any of its parts were declared invalid, the other parts would stay in effect.

A YES VOTE would allow licensed and other authorized providers of child care in private homes under the state's subsidized child care system to bargain collectively with the state.

A NO VOTE would make no change in the laws concerning licensed and other authorized family child care providers.

QUESTION 4: THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING

Shall the state representative from this district be instructed to vote in favor of a resolution calling upon the President and Congress of the United States to end the war in Iraq immediately and bring all United States military forces home from Iraq? Yes _____ No _____

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said voting.

Given under our hands this _____ 24th _____ day of _____ October _____, 2006.

Municipal Councillors of: AMESBURY

FINAL TALLY - November 7, 2006**STATE ELECTION**

Senator in Congress	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
Blank	42	25	25	16	32	17	157
Edward M. Kennedy (Dem.)	721	614	700	480	701	600	3,816
Kenneth Chase (Rep.)	456	287	315	265	448	249	2,020
Write In	2	1	2	-	1	-	6
TOTAL	1,221	927	1,042	761	1,182	866	5,999

Governor / Lt Governor	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
Blank	7	8	7	5	8	6	41
Healey & Hillman (Rep.)	499	313	365	290	482	272	2,221
Patrick & Murray (Dem.)	596	501	572	388	589	500	3,146
Mihos & Sullivan (Unenrolled)	85	82	71	66	82	66	452
Ross & Robinson (Green/Rain)	34	22	26	11	19	18	130
Write In	-	1	1	1	2	4	9
TOTAL	1,221	27	1,042	761	1,182	866	5,999

Attorney General	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
Blank	55	41	55	39	72	45	307
Martha Coakley (Dem)	783	49	715	526	741	615	4,029
Larry Frisoli (Rep.)	382	37	272	196	368	204	1,659
Write In	1	-	-	-	1	2	4
TOTAL	1,221	927	1,042	761	1,182	866	5,999

Secretary of State	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
Blanks	134	84	118	64	143	87	630
William Francis Galvin (Dem.)	874	689	739	562	840	617	4,321
Jill E. Stein (Green-Rain)	206	153	184	134	196	157	1,030
Write-in	7	1	1	1	3	5	18
TOTAL	1,221	927	1,042	761	1,182	866	5,999

Treasurer	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
Blank	143	95	129	70	168	92	697
Timothy P. Cahill (Dem)	880	674	736	556	805	622	4,273
James O'Keefe (Green-Rain)	193	157	175	133	206	149	1,013
Write In	5	1	2	2	3	3	16
TOTAL	1,221	927	1,042	761	1,182	866	5,999

Auditor	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
Blank	162	130	159	87	186	109	833
A. Joseph DeNucci (Dem.)	803	605	680	510	746	575	3,919
Rand Wilson (Working Fam)	252	191	201	164	248	180	1,236
Write-in	4	1	2	-	2	2	11
TOTAL	1,221	927	1,042	761	1,182	866	5,999

Representative in Congress	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
Blank	53	34	60	41	53	35	276
John F. Tierney (Dem.)	768	655	714	504	730	623	3,994
Richard W. Barton (Rep.)	400	238	267	216	398	208	1,727

Representative in Congress	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
Write In	-	-	1	-	1	-	2
TOTAL	1,221	927	1,042	761	1,182	866	5,999

Councillor	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
Blank	203	117	180	98	182	126	906
Mary-Ellen Manning (Dem.)	640	555	556	441	579	502	3,273
Councillor (cont.)	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
Timothy Houten (Unenrolled)	376	255	304	221	419	236	1,811
Write-in	2	-	2	1	2	2	9
TOTAL	1,221	927	1,042	761	1,182	866	5,999

Senator in General Court	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
Blank	328	223	260	168	324	189	1,492
Steven A. Baddour (Dem.)	881	699	767	586	842	665	4,440
Write In	12	5	15	7	16	12	67
TOTAL	1,221	927	1,042	761	1,182	866	5,999

Rep. in General Court	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
Blank	330	215	264	167	329	185	1,490
Michael A. Costello (Dem.)	878	707	768	586	833	674	4,446
Write-in	13	5	10	8	20	7	63
TOTAL	1,221	927	1,042	761	1,182	866	5,999

District Attorney	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
Blank	358	241	297	192	358	199	1,645
Jonathan W. Blodgett (Dem.)	851	684	739	563	812	661	4,310
Write In	12	2	6	6	12	6	44
TOTAL	1,221	927	1,042	761	1,182	866	5,999

Clerk of Courts	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
Blank	366	248	306	195	368	210	1,693
Thomas H. Driscoll, Jr. (Dem.)	843	677	728	561	804	651	4,264
Write-in	12	2	8	5	10	5	42
TOTAL	1,221	927	1,042	761	1,182	866	5,999

Register of Deeds	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
Blank	410	272	326	226	397	241	1,872
John L. O'Brien, Jr. (Dem.)	802	653	710	531	775	619	4,090
Write In	9	2	6	4	10	6	37
TOTAL	1,221	927	1,042	761	1,182	866	5,999

Question 1 Food stores to sell wine							
	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
Blanks	66	61	59	42	48	40	316
Yes	605	429	586	350	596	448	3,014
No	550	437	397	369	538	378	2,669
TOTAL	1,221	927	1,042	761	1,182	866	5,999

Question 2 Nom. Of Candidate/same office by more than one party							
	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
Blanks	146	108	121	99	113	109	696
Yes	341	305	305	213	335	263	1,762
No	734	514	616	449	734	494	3,541
TOTAL	1,221	927	1,042	761	1,182	866	5,999

Question 3 Collective bargaining for child Care in Private Homes							
	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
Blanks	149	109	129	98	117	113	715
Yes	436	379	397	319	465	354	2,350
No	636	439	516	344	600	399	2,934
TOTAL	1,221	927	1,042	761	1,182	866	5,999

Question 4 End the war in Iraq							
	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
Blanks	195	127	133	117	151	144	867
Yes	591	510	549	364	564	457	3,035
No	435	290	360	280	467	265	2,097
TOTAL	1,221	927	1,042	761	1,182	866	5,999

November 7, 2006 State Election							
	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
Total Votes	1,221	927	1,042	761	1,182	866	5,999
AV (in total)Cast	66	34	36	33	62	50	281
Provisional Ballot Cast	1						
Total Reg.	2,051	1,730	1,827	1,535	2,034	1,765	10,942
Total %	59.53%	53.58%	57.03%	49.58%	58.11%	49.07%	54.83%

Voter Registration as of October 18, 2006 (last day to register before election)							
Party	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
America First Party						1	1
Conservative				1			1
Democrat	537	525	509	451	533	585	3,140
Green Party USA	1		1	1			3
Green-Rainbow	4	2	4	3	6	4	23
Inter. 3rd Party	1		1	2			4
Libertarian	15	9	7	17	17	16	81
Rainbow Coalition	1						1
Reform	1	2			1		4
Party	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3	Dist. 4	Dist. 5	Dist. 6	Total
Republican	330	224	263	222	328	247	1,614
Unenrolled	1,161	968	1,042	838	1,149	912	6,070
Grand Totals	2,051	1,730	1,827	1,535	2,034	1,765	10,942

SPECIAL TOWN ELECTION

Essex, ss

To either of the constables of the Town of Amesbury.

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Elections to vote at

1
(DISTRICT)

TOWN HALL AUDITORIUM, 62 FRIEND STREET
(POLLING PLACE)

MONDAY, MAY 21, 2007 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the following purpose:

Ballot Question One:

Shall Michelle M. Thone, District 1 Councilor be recalled?

YES _____

NO _____

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this _____ day of _____, 2007

Municipal Councillors of: AMESBURY

A True Copy Attest: _____
Constable

Date: _____

I have this day posted printed, attested copies of this warrant as directed in the Police Station, the Town Library and both entrances of Town Hall

May 21, 2007 Recall District 1

Ballot Question: "Shall Michelle M. Thone, District 1 Councilor be recalled?"		DISTRICT 1
Yes		519
No		31
Blanks		0
Total Votes		550
Absentee Ballots (already in total)		29
Total Registered Voters		2071
Percentage of Votes		26.56%
Provisional Ballots		1
Grand Total		551
Final Percentage of Votes		26.61%

RECORDS OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MEETINGS

At the meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on Monday, July 10, 2006 @ 7:00 PM in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

2006-068 Whittier FY07 Revised Budget Be it Ordered by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: That \$ 422,094.00 be appropriated for the purpose of funding the FY07 Whittier Regional Vocational budget. Councilor Robert Lavoie moved to reject the appropriation to fund the FY07 Whittier Budget. Councilor Roger Benson seconded.

At the meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on Tuesday, July 11, 2006, in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

2006-070 2006 Mayoral Re-appointments - Motion made and seconded to approve. Voted Unanimous Appeals Board – Suzanne Egan (2011); Rob Brennan (2009); Board of Assessors – John Cena (2009); Board of Health – Phillip Yetman (2009); Cemetery Adv. Com. – Joseph Sielicki (2009); Conservation Com. – John Chasse (2009); Council on Aging – Jean Little Bruce (2009); Joanne McCarthy (2009); Marcia Gilmore (2009); Mary Jean Ballard (2009); Cultural Council – Mindy Moore (2009); Design Review – Scott Brown (2009); Tracy Healy (2009); Curtis Wollitz (2008); Fence Viewer – Bret Green (2007); M. Bernice Nagle (2007); Health Care Trust – Fr. John Gentleman (2009); Historical Com. – Jay Williamson (2009); Lakes & Waterways – Jim Babbin (2009); Gregory Roy (2009); Jay Knapp (2008); Landry Stadium Mgt. Com – Roger Gaumont (2009); Master Plan I & O Com – Jonathan Sherwood (2009); Michael Browne (2008); Nipun Jain (2008); Tree Board – Karen Cyr (2009) Trustees War Memorials – John Moughan (2009); John Carter (2009); Lillian Eaton (2009)

2006-072 Appointment of Lenny Turnquist to Cultural Council term to expire 6/30/09 Motion made and seconded to approve. Voted Unanimous.

2006-073 Appointment of Jo Ann Peatfield to Council on Aging unexpired term to expire 6/30/08 Motion made and seconded to approve. Voted Unanimous.

2006-074 Appointment of Brian Thompson to Cultural Council term to expire 6/30/09 Motion made and seconded to approve. Voted Unanimous.

2006-075 Appointment of Diane Wigmore to Council on Aging, unexpired term to expire 6/30/08 Motion made and seconded to approve. Voted Unanimous.

2006-064 \$1,200 grant from the Essex National Heritage – Mayor Kezer sponsor cont. Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: that the Municipal Council vote to accept a grant from the Essex National Heritage Commission in the amount of \$1,200.00 for a hanging system for art work in the Gallery space at the Cultural Center and to authorize its expenditure by the Office of Administration and Development. Councilor Roger Benson moved the finance committee recommendation for approval as submitted. Councilor Mario Pinierio seconded. Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – 8 Members

2006-065 \$10,000 Grant from the Governor's Highway Safety Bureau – Mayor Kezer sponsor Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: that the Municipal Council vote to accept a grant in the amount of \$10,000.00 from the Governor's Highway Safety Bureau to purchase child passenger safety equipment, and to authorize its expenditure by the Amesbury Police Department. Councilor Hank Brennick moved to approve the grant in the amount of \$10,000.00 from the Governor's Highway Safety Bureau as submitted. Councilor Mario Pinierio seconded. ROLL CALL VOTE - 8-YES

2006-066 To Authorize Liabilities in excess of Appropriations under MGL Chapter 4, Section 31 – Mayor Kezer sponsor. Be it Ordered by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled and by the authority of the same as follows: to authorize liabilities in excess of appropriations under M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 31 for expenses pertaining to the flood event of May 2006.

Councilor Roger Benson moved the finance committee recommendation that the municipal council authorize liabilities in excess of appropriations under Mass. General Law Chapter 44, Section 31 for expenses pertaining to the flood event of May of 2006 in the amount of \$142,613.00 and that any state or federal and or other reimbursement be applied to reduce the amounts to be raised by taxation. A copy of the filing be submitted to the municipal council and finance committee immediately upon submission and that the Chief Financial Officer present the entire liabilities as a separate line item in the budget. Councilor Michelle Thone seconded. Roll Call Vote – 8-Yes

2006-068 Whittier School revised FY07 budget – Mayor Kezer sponsor

Be it Ordered by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: That \$422,094.00 be appropriated for the purpose of funding the FY07 Whittier Regional Vocational budget. Councilor Robert Lavoie moved to reject the appropriation to fund the FY07 Whittier Budget. Councilor Roger Benson seconded. Roll Call Vote 7-Yes

2006-069 Declare Seat vacant Housing Authority term to expire 12/31/09

Moved and seconded to declare seat vacant and schedule a joint meeting of Council and Housing Authority for September 12, 2006. Voted Unanimous.

At the meeting of the Special Amesbury Municipal Council held on Wednesday, July 19, 2006, in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

2006-080 Appoint Jessica Schoonmaker to Board of Health – Mayor sponsor

Motion made and seconded to approve. Voted Unanimous

2006-078 Resolution Regarding Inspector General's Report - Sponsors Councilors Lawrence, Thone Councilor Thone moved to accept 2006-078 as submitted. Councilor Brennick seconded.

Councilor Brennick moved to amend the main motion by adding “other than Kopelman and Paige PC” after the words “outside legal counsel” in the second sentence of Section 2 and adding the words “hereby rescinds its own liaison appointments and” to Section 4, in the first sentence after the words “Municipal Council”. Councilor Thone seconded. Voted 7-Yes, 2-No, Benson & King
Main motion as amended was voted 6-Yes, 3-No, King, Lavoie and Benson

At the meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on September 12, 2006, in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

2006-069 Joint Meeting with Amesbury Housing Authority

Motion made and seconded to appoint Philip Dandurant, 180 Main Street to the vacant seat on the Housing Authority for a two year unexpired term. Roll Call Housing Authority – 3-Yes –Unanimous; Roll Call Municipal Council 8- Yes

2006-081 Common Victualler (one Day) – Country Pond Fish & Game Club – Woodsom Farm Festival
Motion made and seconded to approve as submitted. Voted Unanimous

2006-085 Common Victualler – Ovedia Artisan Chocolates – 36 Main St. – Rear
Motion made and seconded to approve as submitted Voted Unanimous

2006-091 Pole Hearing – Verizon – Union Court

Councilor Benson moved to pass with the stipulation the homeowner at 3 Union Court is notified by Verizon. Councilor Lindstrom seconded. Voted Unanimous

2006-092 Appointment of Steven J. Langlois – Conservation Commission term to expire 6/30/09
Motion made and seconded to approve as submitted. Voted Unanimous

2006-093 Appointment of David F. Lovering – Conservation Commission term to expire 6/30/07
Motion made and seconded to approve as submitted. Voted 7- Yes, 1-Recuse (Thone)

2006-094 Appointment of Louis R. Cortucci – Conservation Commission term to expire 6/30/07
Motion made and seconded to approve as submitted. Voted Unanimous

2006-048 An Act to Accept Ch. 40 Sec 8i of MGL – Creation of an Energy Resources Commission –
Councilor Lindstrom sponsor. Councilor Lindstrom withdrew 2006-048 without prejudice.

2006-063 \$5,000.00 donation from The Provident Community Foundation – Mayor Kezer sponsor
Be it ordered by the Municipal Council assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:
That the Municipal Council to vote to accept a donation in the amount of \$5,000.00 from The Provident Community Foundation and authorize the Town, through the Office of Community and Economic Development to use the funds for field trips for the 2006 Amesbury Summer Youth Program.
Councilor Mario Pinierio moved the finance committee recommendation to accept the \$5,000 grant as submitted. Councilor Roger Benson seconded. ROLL CALL VOTE UNANIMOUS – 8 Members

2006-071 An Order to accept a SAFE grant in the amount of \$4,532.16 – Mayor Kezer sponsor
Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: that the Municipal Council vote to accept a SAFE (Student Awareness Fire Education) grant in the amount of \$4,532.16 and authorize its expenditure by the Amesbury Fire Department. Councilor Roger Benson moved the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve as submitted. Councilor Mario Pinierio seconded. ROLL CALL VOTE UNANIMOUS - 8 Members

2006-067 An Ordinance to Reorganize and Divide the Department of Community and Economic Development – Councilor Thone and McClure. Be it ordained by the Municipal Council assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:
Section 1. The Municipal Council does hereby reorganize and divide the Department of Community and Economic Development and create a new department for Youth Programs, effective July 1, 2006, as follows; DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Org	Object	Org Description	Object Description
0117451	511120	COMM & ECONOMIC DEV PERS SERVICES	DEPARTMENT HEAD
0117451	511158	COMM & ECONOMIC DEV PERS SERVICES	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
0117451	511310	COMM & ECONOMIC DEV PERS SERVICES	TOWN PLANNER
0117451	511315	COMM & ECONOMIC DEV PERS SERVICES	PROJECT COORDINATOR
0117451	511316	COMM & ECONOMIC DEV PERS SERVICES	PERMITTING COORDINATOR
0117452	530108	COM & ECONOMIC DEV EXPENSES	ARCHITECTS/ENGINEERS
0117452	530109	COM & ECONOMIC DEV EXPENSES	ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING
0117452	530215	COM & ECONOMIC DEV EXPENSES	APPRAISALS AND PUB NOTICE
0117452	530220	COM & ECONOMIC DEV EXPENSES	TELEPHONE
0117452	542020	COM & ECONOMIC DEV EXPENSES	OFFICE SUPPLIES
0117452	542310	COM & ECONOMIC DEV EXPENSES	DUES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS
0117452	570010	COM & ECONOMIC DEV EXPENSES	IN STATE TRAVEL
0117452	570020	COM & ECONOMIC DEV EXPENSES	OUT OF STATE TRAVEL

DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH PROGRAMS

Org	Object	Org Description	Object Description
TBD	511318	YOUTH PROGRAMS PERS SERVICES	YOUTH DIRECTOR
TBD	512360	YOUTH PROGRAMS PERS SERVICES	YOUTH COUNSELLORS
TBD	512365	YOUTH PROGRAMS PERS SERVICES	LIFEGUARDS
TBD	530330	YOUTH PROGRAMS EXPENSES	RECREATION PROGRAMS
TBD	530335	YOUTH PROGRAMS EXPENSES	YTH RECREATION TRIPS/ ENTERTAINMENT
TBD	530957	YOUTH PROGRAMS EXPENSES	PERFORMING ARTS CONTRACTED
TBD	570030	YOUTH PROGRAMS EXPENSES	BUS TRANSPORTATION
TBD	530220	YOUTH PROGRAMS EXPENSES	TELEPHONE
TBD	542020	YOUTH PROGRAMS EXPENSES	OFFICE SUPPLIES

0117458 588114 COM & ECONOMIC DEV CAPITAL EXPENSES MASTER PLAN

Section 2. Initially, all appropriations for each of said two departments for FY07 shall be allocated according to the line items in Section 1 above as said appropriations were adopted on June 17, 2006 in the FY07 Operating Budget Supplemental Documentation.

Section 3. The Department of Community and Economic Development shall continue to be overseen by the Director of Community and Economic Development. The Department of Youth Programs shall be overseen by the Mayor.

Section 4. As there are costs and expenses involved with the running of the Department of Youth Programs that are or may be shared with another department or agency of the town and are not or may not be currently identifiable as separate and unique charges for the Department of Youth Programs, the Chief Financial Officer shall develop and implement a system of appropriately allocating such costs and expenses between the Department of Youth Programs and such other departments or agencies and such allocated amounts shall be taken into account in the preparation of the operating budget of the affected department or agencies.

Councilor Thone moved to accept Section 2 as amended, Section 3 change last sentence to be overseen by Mayor and Section 4 as amended by Ordinance Committee. Councilor Pinierio seconded. Roll Call Vote – 5-Yes, 3-No, Benson, King, Lavoie

2006-077 An Ordinance to Provide for Improved Contracting Practices (Ordinance Section 1 and 2) – Councilor Lawrence, Thone sponsor. Be it ordained by the Municipal Council assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

Section 1. The Town's Chief Financial Officer shall acquire appropriate certification designations through the Massachusetts Certified Public Purchasing Official Program run by the state Inspector General's Office. If not already certified at the time of appointment, any future Town Chief Financial Officer shall acquire appropriate certification designations through the Massachusetts Certified Public Purchasing Program run by the state Inspector General's Office within 18 months of being appointed the Town's Chief Financial Officer.

Section 2. Town employees and officials other than the Chief Financial Officer may acquire certification designations through the Massachusetts Certified Public Purchasing Official Program. If the Mayor determines in writing that such certification designation is part of an employee or official's qualifications or responsibilities, then tuition for such certification and recertification programs may be paid by the Town from the particular department's appropriation for expenses

Councilor Lavoie moved the Ordinance Committee recommendation to approve Bill 2006-077 Sections 1& 2 as amended; to divide in two parts sending 2007-077A, Section 3 back to Ordinance for further recommendation. Councilor Thone seconded. VOTED UNANIMOUS

2006-083 A Resolution to Forward the Inspector General Report pertaining to the Bailey's Pond Project to DOR and Mass Ethics Commission – Council Lindstrom, McClure, Thone sponsor
Be it resolved by the Municipal Council assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:
The Amesbury Municipal Council will forward copies of the Inspector General's report and any other pertinent documentation to the Division of Local Services of the Massachusetts Dept of Revenue and the Massachusetts Ethics Commission for their review and further request recommendations be made to the Town as a result of their findings and to take any action they deem appropriate. Councilor Thone moved to accept the resolution. Councilor Brennick seconded. VOTED UNANIMOUS – 8 Members

2006-098 Accept resignation of R. Darrell Taylor and declare seat vacant on School Committee – two year unexpired term. Councilor Thone moved to accept resignation and schedule joint meeting with the School Committee for October meeting. Councilor Benson seconded. Voted Unanimous

2006-099 Request from Board of Registrars – Warrant for State Primary Councilor Benson moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Pinierio seconded Voted Unanimous

At the special meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on October 5, 2006, in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

2006-088 Councilor Benson moves for approval \$80,000 repairs to Police Station as submitted, Councilor Lavoie second. Roll Call Vote – 3 Yes, 6 No (Brennick, Lindstrom, McClure, Pinierio, Thone, Lawrence) Motion Fails

At the meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on October 10, 2006, in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

2006-098 - Joint Meeting with School Committee to fill vacancy. Motion made and seconded to nominate Bonnie Schultz. Motion Made and seconded to nominate Barbara Coutinho. Motion made and seconded to nominate James Thivierge. Joint Roll Call – 9 Bonnie Schultz; 5 Barbara Coutinho; 1 James Thivierge. Bonnie Schultz appointed for unexpired term to School Committee.

2006-082 Pole Hearing – National Grid – R Street Councilor Brennick moved to approve as presented by National Grid. Councilor Benson seconded. Voted Unanimous

2006-102 Pole Hearing – Verizon – Newton Road. Councilor Lavoie moved to approve. Councilor Benson seconded. Voted Unanimous

2006-103 Pole Hearing – Verizon – Madison Street. Councilor Lavoie moved for approval as presented. Councilor Pinierio seconded. Voted Unanimous

2006-104 Appoint Jonathan Sherwood and Scott Jordan Charter Review Commission
Motion made and seconded to approve as submitted. Voted Unanimous

2006-107 Appoint Michelle Butler – Health Care Trust Commission – term to expire 6/30/08
Motion made and seconded to approve as submitted. Voted Unanimous

2006-76 Amend Article 40 Amesbury Bylaws – Building Demolition Ordinance – Councilor Lindstrom, Thone sponsor. Be it enacted by the Municipal Council assembled, and by the authority of the same to amend Article 40 of the Amesbury Bylaws as follows: Article 40 – Building Demolition By-Law
40.1 Intent and Purpose

This By-Law is adopted for the purpose of preserving and protecting significant buildings or structures within in the Town which constitute or reflect distinctive features of the architectural, cultural, political, economic or social history of the Town; to resist and restrain environmental influences adverse to this

purpose; to encourage owners of preferably-preserved significant buildings or structures to seek out persons who might be willing to purchase and to preserve, rehabilitate, or restore such buildings or structures, rather than demolish them; and by furthering these purposes to promote the public welfare, to preserve the resources of the Town, and to make the Town a more attractive and desirable place in which to live. To achieve these purposes, the Amesbury Historical Commission is empowered to advise the Amesbury Building Inspector with respect to the issuance of permits for demolition, and the issuance of demolition permits for significant buildings and structures is regulated as provided in this By-Law.

40.2 Definitions.

The following terms when used whether or not capitalized in this By-Law, shall have the meanings set forth below, unless the context otherwise requires:

40.2.1 "Building – A combination of any materials, having a roof, and enclosed within exterior walls or fire walls, built to form a structure for the shelter of persons, animals or property.

40.2.2 Structure – A combination of materials assembled at a fixed location to give support or shelter, such as a building, bridge, trestle, tower, framework, retaining wall, or the like.

40.2.3 "Historically Significant Building or Structure" – any building or structure within the Town which is in whole or in part seventy-five or more years old and one or more of the following:

(a) which is within any historic district; or

(b) which is listed on or is within an area listed on, the National Register of Historic Places, or which is the subject of a pending application for listing on said National Register; or

(c) which is or has been designated by the Commission to be a significant building or structure either:

- (i) is importantly associated with one or more historic persons or events, or with the broad architectural, cultural, political, economic, or social history of the Town or the Commonwealth, or
- (ii) is historically or architecturally significant (in terms of period, style, method of building construction, or association with a famous architect or builder) either by itself or in the context of a group of buildings.

(d) which is included in Amesbury's Comprehensive Historic Resource Inventory

40.2.4 "Preferably-Preserved" – any significant building or structure which the commission determines, as provided in (Section 3) of this By-Law that is in the public interest to be preserved or rehabilitated rather than to be demolished.

40.2.5 "Commission" – the Amesbury Historical Commission

40.2.6 "Commission Staff" – the Chairman of the Commission, the person performing the functions of the chairman in the event there is no person with the title of chairman as such, or any other person regularly providing staff services for the Commission to whom the Commission has delegated authority to act as commission staff under this By-Law.

40.2.7 "Determination" – any determination contemplated in (Section 3) of this By-Law made by the Commission or the commission staff.

40.2.8 "Building Inspector" – the person occupying the office of Inspector of Buildings or otherwise authorized to issue demolition permits.

40.2.9 "Application" – an application for a permit for the demolition of a building or structure.

40.2.10 "Permit" – a permit issued by the Building Inspector for demolition of a building or structure pursuant to an application therefor.

40.2.11 "Demolition" – the act of pulling down, destroying, removing, or razing a building or structure, or commencing the work of total or substantial destruction with the intent of completing the same.

Demolition also includes any of the following actions when visible from a public way: removal of a roof or removal of one or more sides of a building or structure. Demolition does not include the removal of a roof or one or more sides of a building or structure if it is to be replaced in kind, subject to all other applicable codes and regulations.

40.2.12 "Historic District" – any existing or pending National Register District, or local historic district that may from time to time have been established by By-Law.

40.2.13 "Essential Services" – those services/utilities which have been in place in a building, including, but not limited to: electric, gas, water, sprinkler systems, fire alarm, smoke alarm, fire panel.

40.3 Procedure

40.3.1 Demolition Permit Application

The building inspector shall forward a copy of each demolition permit application for a building or structure that is more than seventy-five (75) years old to the Commission within five (5) business days of the filing of such application. A request for demolition of a building must be submitted, received and approved by the Commission before any essential services to said building may be discontinued and/or shut off.

40.3.2 Determination as to 'Historical Significance'

Within sixty (60) days from its receipt of a demolition permit application, the Commission shall determine whether the building or structure is historically significant. The applicant for the permit shall be entitled to make a presentation to the Commission if he or she so chooses. If the Commission determines that the building or structure is not historically significant, the Commission shall so notify the Building Inspector in writing and the Building Inspector may issue a demolition permit. If the Commission determines that the building or structure is historically significant, the Commission shall notify the Building Inspector in writing that a demolition review must be made prior to the issuance of any demolition permit. If the Commission fails to notify the Building Inspector of its determination within sixty (60) days of its receipt of the application, then the building or structure shall be deemed not historically significant and the Building Inspector may issue a demolition permit.

40.3.3 Demolition Review Package

- (a) Demolition Review Package Requirements Not more than sixty (60) days after the Commission's determination that a building or structure is historically significant, the applicant for the permit shall submit to the Commission ten (10) copies of a demolition review package which shall include all the following information:
- (i) A map at to scale showing the location of the building or structure to be demolished on its property including footprint of that building or structure and property boundaries (eg. Assessors map);
 - (ii) 4" x 6" or larger photographs of all sides of the exterior of the building or structure. Surrounding areas and any deterioration should also be documented via photographs;
 - (iii) A description of the building or structure, or part thereof, to be demolished to the extent known by the applicant this may include information on the period, architectural style, method of building construction, association with a reputed architect or builder, important associations with one or more historic persons or events, or with the broad architectural, cultural, political, economic or social history of the Town or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts;
 - (iv) The reason for the proposed demolition and data supporting said reason, including where applicable data sufficient to establish any economic justification for demolition;
 - (v) A brief description of the proposed reuse of the property on which the building or structure to be demolished is located.
 - (vi) Plans for site improvements and if a new structure is being planned, preliminary plans and elevations of the new structure;
 - (vii) Depending on the scope of the project, additional materials may also be requested for the hearing as follows:
 - 1. Structural analysis report prepared by a Massachusetts Licensed Structural Engineer;
 - 2. Other materials that may help the Commission evaluate whether the property is subject to delay.
- (b) Public Hearing and Public Notice Upon receipt of the demolition review package referenced in Section 40.3.3(a), the Commission shall fix a reasonable time for a public hearing on the application within sixty-five (65) days from receipt of the demolition review package. At least twenty-eight (28) days before said hearing, the Commission shall give notice thereof to applicant in writing, including the time, place and purpose of the hearing
- (i) Notification of Abutters Not less than fourteen (14) days prior to said hearing, the applicant shall send copy of said notice by certified mail to the owners of all abutting property at their mailing addresses shown in the most recent applicable tax list of the assessors, including owners of land directly opposite on any public or private street or way, and abutters to the abutters within 300 feet of the property line of the applicant, including any in another

municipality or across a body of water, and to such other persons as the Commission shall deem entitled to notice.

- (ii) **Publication of Notice** The applicant shall provide said notice to a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality, to be published as a legal notice at least fourteen (14) days, and again (7) days prior to public hearing. Certified mail receipts and newspaper tearsheet including date of publication shall be turned in to the Commission by the applicant prior to the opening of the public hearing. All costs associated with publication of legal notice and required mailings shall be the responsibility of the applicant. Failure to comply with any of the above will result in a delay of the public hearing.
- (c) **Timeline for Determination** The Commission shall have ninety (90) days from the opening of public hearing to make its decision. During this period, the Commission may request comment from other town boards, committees, or individuals as appropriate. The Commission shall file, within fifteen (15) days from the close of the said public hearing, a written report with the Building Inspector which shall include the following:
 - (i) A description of the age, architectural style, historical associations and importance of the building or structure to be demolished;
 - (ii) A determination as to whether or not the building or structure should be preferably preserved.
- (d) **Finding of building or structure to be 'Preferably Preserved'** If the building or structure is determined to be preferably preserved following the demolition plan review, then the Building Inspector shall not issue a demolition plan permit for a period of eighteen (18) months from the date the Commission's report is filed with the Building Inspector unless the Commission informs the Building Inspector prior to the expiration of such eighteen (18) month period that the Commission is satisfied that the applicant for the demolition permit has made a bona fide, reasonable and unsuccessful effort to locate a purchaser for the building or structure who is willing to preserve, rehabilitate or restore the building or structure, or has agreed to accept a demolition permit on specified conditions approved by the Commission. If no such agreement has been made, after the eighteen (18) month period has passed the demolition permit shall be issued, provided that all plans for proposed use of the site after demolition have been found to comply with applicable laws and all permits and approvals for the development have been obtained. Notwithstanding the foregoing language contained in this sub-section 40.3.3 (d), if the demolition involves the removal of a roof, or one or more sides of a building or structure, not to be replaced in kind, the maximum length of the demolition delay shall not exceed a period of (12) twelve months from the date that the Applicant has submitted an application for a permit for such demolition.

40.4 Demolition Permit Expiration

The demolition permit shall expire after twenty-four (24) months of being issued. This means that once the above conditions have been satisfied, the owner of the property has twenty-four (24) months to demolish the building or structure. If the building or structure is not taken down in that period, the owner shall submit a new demolition permit application for Commission review.

40.5 Emergency Demolition

If a building or structure poses an immediate threat to public health or safety due to its deteriorated condition, the owner of such building or structure may request issuance of an emergency demolition permit from the Building Inspector. As soon as practicable after receipt of such request, the Building Inspector shall arrange to have the property inspected by a board consisting of himself or his designee; the Town Engineer or his designee; the Chairman of the Commission or his designee; and one (1) disinterested person chosen by the Building Inspector. After inspection of the building or structure and consultation with the other members of the board, the Building Inspector shall determine whether the condition of the building or structure represents a serious and imminent threat to public health and safety and whether there is any reasonable alternative to the immediate demolition of the building or structure which would protect public health and safety. If the Building Inspector finds that the condition of the building or structure poses a serious and imminent threat to public health and safety and that there is no reasonable alternative to the immediate demolition of the building or structure, then the Building Inspector may issue an emergency demolition permit to the owner of the building or structure.

Whenever the Building Inspector issues an emergency demolition permit, he shall prepare a written report describing the condition of the building or structure and the basis of his decision to issue an emergency demolition permit. A copy of this written report shall be filed with the Commission.

40.6 Enforcement and Remedies

40.6.1 Enforcement: The Commission and/or Building Inspector are each specifically authorized to institute all actions and proceedings, in law or in equity, as they may deem necessary and appropriate to obtain compliance with the requirements of this By-Law or to prevent a threatened violation thereof.

40.6.2 Building Permit to be Withheld: No building permit shall be issued with respect to any premises upon which a building or structure that is included in Amesbury's *Comprehensive historic Resource Inventory* or is seventy-five (75) years or more old has been voluntarily demolished otherwise than pursuant to a demolition permit granted after compliance with the provisions of this By-Law for a period of two years after the date of the completion of such demolition. As used herein "premises" refers to the parcel of land upon which the demolished building or structure was located and all adjoining parcels of land under which the demolished building or structure was located and all adjoining parcels of land under common ownership or control.

40.6.3 Severability: In case any section, paragraph, or part of this By-Law is for any reason declared invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, every other section, paragraph and part shall continue in full force and effect.

Councilor Lavoie moved to accept the recommendation of the Ordinance Committee with changes with the additional change to section 40.3.3(d). Councilor Pinierio seconded. VOTED 7-YES, 1-No, King, 1-Abstain, Brennick

2006-084 A Vote to petition the General Court to adopt legislation precisely – An Act Relative to Limiting the Use of Eminent Domain – Councilor Lindstrom sponsor. Be it enacted by the Municipal Council assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

A vote to petition the General Court to the end that legislation be adopted precisely as follows. The General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Municipal Council approves amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court. The Municipal Council is hereby authorized to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO LIMITING THE USE OF EMINENT DOMAIN

Section 1. General limitations on use of eminent domain

(a) Only the Amesbury Municipal Council may use the power of eminent domain to take property from private owner(s). Eminent domain power shall not be used by any other agency of the Town of Amesbury nor by any political subdivision thereof nor by any other local entity. The Municipal Council shall not transfer eminent domain power to any other entity.

(b) Any measure to take property by eminent domain may only be approved if two-thirds of the entire Amesbury Municipal Council vote to approve such measure and if such measure is also approved by the Mayor. If less than two-thirds of the full Council membership votes to approve an eminent domain taking, such taking shall be deemed to be denied.

(c) Any vote on a measure to take property by eminent domain must be made by roll call vote.

Section 2. Eminent domain powers limited to public use; "public use" defined

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Municipal Council shall not use eminent domain authority unless the property to be taken is necessary for a public use.

Definition of "public use": The term "public use" shall only mean:

- (i) the possession, occupation, and enjoyment of the land by the general public, or by public agencies;
- (ii) the use of land for the creation or functioning of public utilities;
- (iii) the acquisition of abandoned property, where the Town has made diligent efforts to locate the owner of the property; or
- (iv) the acquisition of property to cure a concrete harmful effect of the current use of the land, including the removal of public nuisances and the removal of structures that are beyond repair or that are unfit for human habitation or use.

The public benefits of economic development, including an increase in tax base, tax revenues, employment, or general economic health, shall not constitute a “public use”.

Section 3. Prohibiting Eminent Domain for Private Business

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Municipal Council shall not use eminent domain authority to take private property for private commercial enterprise, except that:

- (a) eminent domain may be used to take abandoned property, where the Town has made diligent efforts to locate the owner of the property;
- (b) eminent domain may be used to eliminate a substantial threat to public health or safety, including the removal of public nuisances and the removal of structures that are beyond repair or that are unfit for human habitation or use;
- (c) portions of a property which has been taken by eminent domain for public use may be leased to private entities, provided that the private use is incidental to the primary public use; and
- (d) property may be taken by eminent domain for the benefit of private commercial enterprise, with the willing and informed consent of the current owner(s) of the property.

Section 4. Prohibiting use of eminent domain for economic development; “economic development” defined Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Municipal Council shall not use eminent domain authority to take private property for economic development purposes without the willing and informed consent of the current owner(s) of the property.

Definition of “economic development”: the term “economic development” means any activity to increase tax revenue, tax base, employment, housing or general economic health; provided, however, that any of the following activities shall not constitute economic development:

- (i) the transfer of land to public ownership or to the ownership of a public utility; or
- (ii) the transfer of property to a private entity when eminent domain will remove a threat to public health or safety, such as the removal of public nuisances or the removal of structures that are beyond repair or the removal of structures that are unfit for human habitation or use; or
- (iii) the acquisition of abandoned property, where the Town has made diligent efforts to locate the owner of the property; or
- (iv) the lease to a private entity of portions of a property which has been taken by eminent domain, provided that the private use is incidental to the primary public use and further provided that any such lease may be entered into only if approved by a 2/3 vote of the entire Amesbury Municipal Council and if such measure is also approved by the Mayor.

Councilor Thone moved to adopt as 2006-084 as submitted. Councilor Pinierio seconded.

VOTED 7-YES, 2-ABSTAIN, King, Lavoie

2006-087 An Order to vote to appropriate funds for FY07 Whittier Regional Vocational Budget – Mayor Kezer sponsor. To vote to appropriate funds for FY 07 Whittier Regional Vocational budget.

Be it ordered by the Municipal Council assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:

That \$422,095.00 be appropriated for the purpose of funding the FY07 Whittier Regional Vocational budget. Councilor Brennick moved to appropriate \$422,095.00 for the purpose of funding the FY 07 Whittier Regional Vocational budget. Councilor Benson seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE – 7-YES, 2-NO, MCCLURE, PINIERIO

2006-089 Request the Municipal Council Vote to accept MGL Ch 39, Sec 23D – Mayor Kezer sponsor

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: that the Municipal Council vote to accept the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 39, Section 23 D as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 39, Section D is hereby accepted so that any member of any elected or appointed municipal board, committee or commission shall be permitted to sit on an adjudicatory hearing and not be disqualified from voting in the matter solely due to that member’s absence from no more than a single session of the hearings at which testimony or other evidence is received.

Before any such vote, the member shall certify in writing that he has examined all evidence received at the missed session, which evidence shall include an audio or video recording of the missed session or

a transcript thereof. The written certification shall be part of the record of the hearing.

Section 2. ARTICLE 44- COMMITTEE PROCEDURES BYLAW is hereby amended by adding the following:

44.10 Adjudicatory hearings; attendance by municipal board, committee and commission members; voting disqualification.

Any member of any elected or appointed municipal board, committee or commission shall be permitted to sit on an adjudicatory hearing and not be disqualified from voting in the matter solely due to that member's absence from NO MORE than a single session of the hearings at which testimony or other evidence is received.

Before any such vote, the member shall certify in writing that he has examined all evidence received at the missed session, which evidence shall include an audio or video recording of the missed session or a transcript thereof.

The written certification shall be part of the record of the hearing and be filed with the Town Clerk.

44.10.1 Certification shall be essentially in the following format

I, ____ (name of individual) ____ hereby certify that I have examined all evidence received by the ____ (name of board) ____ at the session I missed on ____ (date of meeting) ____ for the public hearing held on (subject, bill #, project), said evidence includes any audio and/or video recording of the missed session or a transcript thereof. I further certify that I have missed no more than one (1) public hearing on said matter. _____

Signature

Date

Councilor Thone moved to adopt the ordinance committee recommendations as amended. Councilor Benson seconded. VOTED – UNANIMOUS

2006-111A PREAMBLE for Emergency Measure

Due to the significant water infiltration through the façade of the Police Station, I am hereby declaring an emergency out of concern for public safety and health. We do not want to impact the installation of the new 911 system, by installing expensive new electronics gears in an area that is leaking water. Currently a back-up system is being used for regular operations. Secondly, we would have serious issues trying to move personnel back into that part of the facility with known mold problems if the cause of the mold, water infiltrating the building façade, is not adequately and appropriately addressed.

Councilor Benson Moved to accept the preamble as submitted. Councilor Lavoie seconded.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous

2006-111B An Emergency Order to vote to appropriate \$80,000 from Free Cash for the emergency repairs to the Police Station. Be it Ordered by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled and by the authority of the same, as follows:

That \$80,000 is appropriated from Free Cash for the emergency repairs to the Police Station which shall include the re-pointing and sealing of the front wall of the building. Any monies remaining in this appropriation, which are not expended for the purpose of re-pointing and sealing the front wall of the Police Station shall be returned to the Town's General Fund. Emergency: The urgency of the matter relates to public safety and health. We do not want to impact the installation of the new 911 system, by installing expensive new electronics gears in an area that is leaking water. Secondly, we would have serious issues trying to move personnel back into that part of the facility with known mold problems if the cause of the mold, water infiltrating the building façade, is not adequately and appropriately addressed. Councilor Benson moved to approve as submitted. Councilor King seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE 4-YES, 5-NO, BRENNICK, MCCLURE, PINIERIO, THONE, LAWRENCE

Councilor Thone moved to amend to approve \$60,000. Councilor McClure seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE 6-YES, 3-NO, BENSON, KING, LAVOIE

At the meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on October 24, 2006, in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

Councilor Thone made a motion pursuant to section 3-6 of the charter which states “the municipal council may employ such staff and retain such assistance as is necessary to conduct the business of the municipal council and that the municipal council authorize Council President Lawrence to perform the administrative action of employing and retaining the assistance necessary for the purpose of conducting the business currently before the council specifically the ordinance to rescind 2006-079. Councilor Brennick seconded. Roll Call -6 Yes, Lindstrom, McClure, Pinierio, Thone, Lawrence, 2-No, Benson, King.

2006-110 A Request for the Municipal Council to Amend Section 1 of Bill 2006-013 and 2006-084 Eminent Domain to be consistent with Mass General Laws – Mayor Kezer sponsor
Councilor Lindstrom moved to suspend the rules to make a motion other than to send 2006-110 to committee. Councilor Thone seconded. Voted 6-Yes, 2-No, King, Benson Councilor Lindstrom moved to indefinitely postpone 2006-110 because the issue was before the council twice. The first time it passed with unanimous approval and the second time it passed 7-1 with one abstention. It was in Ordinance twice and passed unanimously. It will be on its way to the State so we can have a home rule mandate. Councilor Thone seconded. Voted 6-Yes, 2-No, King, Benson.

Councilor Benson moved to accept the resignation of Jana Parenteau, Library Board of Trustees, declare the seat vacant, send a thank you letter and schedule a joint meeting with the Library Board of Trustees for the November 14th council meeting. Councilor Lindstrom seconded. Voted Unanimous.

At the meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on October 30, 2006, in the Amesbury Middle School Library the following action was taken:

2006-084 An Act Relative to Limiting the Use of Eminent Domain
Councilor Thone moved to readopt 2006-084 thereby overriding the Mayors veto. Councilor Pinierio seconded. VOTED 6-YES, 3-No, King , Lavoie, Benson

2006-076 An Act Relative to Building Demolition By-Law
Councilor Thone moved to readopt 2006-076 thereby overriding the Mayor’s veto. Councilor McClure seconded. Roll Call Vote - 8-Yes, 1-No, King

At the meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on November 14, 2006, in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

2006- 113 Joint Meeting with Board of Library Trustees to fill vacancy.
Councilor Benson nominated Debra Provost as she received the required number of votes at the last election to fill the vacancy. Councilor Brennick seconded. Roll Call Vote Municipal Council - 9-Yes; Roll Call Vote Library Trustees 4-Yes, 1-Abstain, Gould. Debra Provost was appointed to fill the vacancy.

2006-112 Pole Hearing – Verizon – High Street
Councilor Benson moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Brennick seconded. Voted Unanimous

2006-114 Maggie Sundae – Dine, Dance, Entertainment
Councilor Pinierio moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Benson seconded. Voted Unanimous

2006-119 Appointment Russell Davenport – Master Plan Implementation & Oversight Committee – term to expire 6/30/08. Councilor Pinierio moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Benson seconded. Voted Unanimous

2006-028 An Act to change Article 9-18 Solicitation Policy of the APD Regulations – Mayor Kezer sponsor. Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the

authority of the same as follows: that the Municipal Council vote to change the Solicitation Policy of the Town of Amesbury under Art. 9-18 of the Police Department Regulations.

No person shall go from house to house within the town for (1) soliciting the sale of any commercial article or product, (2) soliciting contracts or orders to purchase any commercial article or product or (3) the primary purpose of soliciting funds or contributions, whether such solicitations are for payment by cash, check or credit or made on behalf of such person or any other person, business, cause or organization, unless such person shall first register with the Chief of Police or his designee. Such person shall register in person with the Chief of Police or his designee by providing the following: his or her name, residential address, date of birth, social security number, driver's license number and vehicle registrations on all vehicles being used, a picture identification issued by a governmental agency or authority and, if such person is acting on behalf of a business, cause or organization, the street address of the principal place of business or principal business thereof, the name of a principal officer of such business, cause or organization and a day-time phone number therefore. Upon providing such information, the Chief of Police shall register such person unless the Chief of Police determines that there is probable cause to believe that such person poses a threat to the safety and/or welfare of persons or property within the town. The Chief of Police may limit the hours within which the permitted solicitations may occur. Any person who neglects or refuses to register pursuant to this section or makes a false or fraudulent representation on his registration or violates any other provision of this section shall be subject to a fine of \$300.00 for each day of said violation.

Councilor Hank Brennick moved the recommendation of the Ordinance Committee to approve as amended. Councilor Roger Benson seconded. VOTED – UNANIMOUS

2006-090 Request the Municipal Council vote to amend the Zoning Bylaws by adding Sec XI.J2 – Historic Preservation Special Permit Bylaw – Mayor Kezer sponsor. Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: that the Municipal Council vote to amend the Amesbury Zoning By-Law by adding section XI.J2 – Historic Preservation Special Permit By-Law.

Section XI.J2: HISTORIC PRESERVATION-SPECIAL PERMIT:

1. PURPOSE AND INTENT:

1. Preserve the integrity of structures and contributory elements of historic or architectural significance, such as settings and sites, objects, monuments, trees or other elements;
2. Encourage preservation and continued use of buildings, structures, sites and settings, and other elements of historical or architectural significance;
3. Establish eligibility criteria for buildings, structures, sites and settings, and other elements attaining protected status;
4. Encourage adaptive re-use by broadening the permitted uses in various zoning districts and relaxing dimensional standards governing those permitted uses;
5. Permit the flexibility of development options by modifying dimensional and density requirements that may impede historic preservation efforts; and
6. Seek public benefits such as preservation restrictions, conservation easements and/or affordable housing restrictions for allowing greater density than allowed by conventional development standards.

2. AUTHORITY TO GRANT PERMITS:

a) Permitted Uses: In addition to uses permitted in any residential zoning district or in the Central Business District, in the table of use regulations, multi family residential uses may be permitted by a Historic Preservation Special Permit (HP-SP) issued by the Planning Board without the approval of any other special permit granting authority.

The Planning Board ("the Board") may grant a HP-SP to authorize actions that would otherwise not comply with the provisions of this Bylaw and that would allow the renovation, repair, or adaptive reuse of historic or architecturally significant buildings or structures. The granting of a HP-SP shall also constitute approval and compliance with Site Plan Review requirements outlined in Section XI.C. The Board may grant relief from specific sections of the Bylaw as outlined below without the approval of any other special permit granting authority:

- i. In order to permit conversions of existing historic buildings or structures, the Board may modify the standards in Table of Density and Dimensional Regulations, with regards to minimum lot area, lot frontage, front, side and rear setbacks to allow residential uses in an existing or proposed principal or accessory structure.
- ii. The Board may also grant a HP-SP for multi-family residential conversions within existing historic buildings or structures in all residential zoning districts;

b) Dimensional and Density Requirements:

The Board may allow more than one principal structure on a lot or lots in common or consolidated ownership ("lots") in consideration of the HP-SP provided that only residential or agricultural uses are proposed in any or all the buildings. Under the HP-SP, the Board may grant relief to any or all dimensional requirements listed under Section VI without the approval of any other special permit granting authority.

In reviewing the HP-SP, the Board shall consider the following in making its determination:

- i. **Density:** In determining the total number of proposed residential dwelling units the Board shall take into consideration traffic circulation, parking requirements and location, impact on the integrity of the existing historic structures and the property, and the overall impacts to the general character of the neighborhood. In particular, the Board will evaluate the aesthetic impacts to the existing historic buildings or structures from the proposed renovations, alterations, extensions or additions. Up to three (3) residential dwelling units may be allowed on the lot(s) proposed for a HP-SP. Four (4) residential dwelling units or more may be allowed provided that the lot(s) shall have at least twice the minimum lot area of the zoning district in Central Business District, R-8, R-20, R-40 and R-80 or at least one (1) acre in RC districts. To be considered for four (4) or more residential dwelling units in the project, the lot(s) shall have at least one principal structure and also one (1) accessory structure with a building footprint of at least 500 SF. The Board may not permit four (4) or more residential dwelling units, even if the lot(s) meets the area requirements, if the overall project does not meet the criteria under subsection 5 and 6 of section XI.J2;
- ii. **Minimum Lot Size:** For any lot subdivided for use as a single family dwelling unit, the minimum lot size shall be 10,000 SF. For any new lot subdivided for use as a two or three family dwelling, the minimum lot size shall be 12,000 SF.
- iii. **Bonus Unit:** One (1) bonus unit may be granted by the Planning Board for relocating a historic structure instead of creating a new structure for any proposed units. The applicant shall have prior approval from the Amesbury Historical Commission to move that structure to the proposed location;
- iv. **Open Space:** Existing open space on the lot(s) cannot be reduced by more than fifteen percent (15%) of the requirements of the zoning district for all new or relocated buildings or structures and by twenty-five percent (25%) by all new or relocated buildings or structures, driveways, and parking. Each dwelling unit shall have designated private open space area of at least 200 SF;
- v. **Entrances & Parking:** If feasible, multiple dwelling unit entrances shall not be visible from a public way. Multiple entrances visible from the public way may be allowed if consistent with the architectural style of the building or structure. Secondary means of egress, especially from upper stories, shall not be visible from the public way. On site parking shall be provided at the rate of 1.5 parking spaces per dwelling unit. If more than six (6) parking spaces are required, excess spaces shall be adequately screened or concealed as per the design standards outlined in this bylaw;
- vi. **Frontage, Lot Width and Setbacks:** For all new buildings or structures, the Board may waive the dimensional requirements (except height) of the zoning district up to 50% if the project is consistent with the intent and purposes of the bylaw;
- vii. **New Principal Buildings or Structures:** No more than one (1) new principal building or structure may be proposed on a lot(s) and it shall not exceed one half (1/2) of the gross floor area of the existing principal historic building or structure on the lots(s). Proposed new buildings or structures, or the replacement or reconstruction of structures previously existing, shall be consistent in character and appearance to any existing historical structure(s) and shall be harmonious with the existing streetscape or view of the subject property from the public way unless documented otherwise by historic photographs, plans or other historic data ; and

- viii. Existing Non-Conformities: In cases of existing non-conformity with the provisions of Section VI, approval of a HP-SP shall permit the Board to grant relief to any or all dimensional requirements listed under Section VI without the approval of any other special permit granting authority.

3. APPLICABILITY:

a. Historic Building or Structure:

Any building, structure or element that is 75 years or more old and meets the eligibility criteria as defined below shall qualify under this section of the Bylaw.

b. Historic Eligibility Defined:

Any lot(s) containing a historic building, element or structure as defined above, may qualify for application under Section XI.J2, HP-SP, if it is included on any of the following lists or surveys:

1. The building or structure is listed on:

- a) National Register of Historic Places, or
- b) State (Commonwealth of Massachusetts) Register of Historic Places

2. Inclusion by the Amesbury Historical Commission (AHC) in its Comprehensive Cultural Resources Survey of 1999, or i) deemed historically significant by AHC under Article 40.2.3 of the Town Bylaws or ii) certification by that Commission of historic and/or architectural significance and thereby potential inclusion in the Comprehensive Cultural Resources Survey;

3. Inclusion in the Historic Inventory and map in the latest Master Plan, Preservation Plan, Open Space and Recreation Plan or Massachusetts Heritage Landscape Inventor Program, "Amesbury Reconnaissance Report";

4. Pending nominations in good standing to the National or State Registers:

- a) Primary Qualifying Elements shall include the following: buildings, other structures, and outbuildings located on the property; and
- b) Secondary Qualifying Elements shall include the following: sites and settings, objects, monuments, trees or any element of historical, architectural and/or cultural significance which indicates their contributory value in establishing historical context.

4. PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS:

The following requirements shall be in addition to the general requirements for a Special Permit specified in Section X.J of this Bylaw.

a. Final Site Plan:

The application for HP-SP shall include a Site Plan in accordance with section XI.C.5 of the Amesbury Zoning Bylaw.

b. Additional Materials for Submission:

The application for a HPSP under this section shall also include the following information and materials: A detailed proposal for the restoration or preservation of the historic structure, including architectural drawings, building materials, cost estimates, and a registered architect's report on existing conditions and proposed restoration, rehabilitation or preservation measures;

- 1. A site survey and photo documentation necessary for historic inventory as per requirements of the Massachusetts Historical Commission;
- 2. Written approval from the AHC stating its support for the restoration, rehabilitation or preservation of the historic building(s), structure(s) or landscape and the appropriate methods to achieve it; and if a total of four (4) or more residential units are being proposed on the site a proposed affordable (as defined in Section V.F subsection 2, 4, and 5 of the Zoning Bylaw) housing restriction and pertinent documents for a minimum of one (1) unit or 15% of the total units in the project, whichever is greater.

5. DESIGN STANDARDS & REVIEW CRITERIA:

The Board shall use the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation of Historic Buildings and follow the guidelines established therein for rehabilitating Historic Buildings for review of the proposed reconstruction, rehabilitation or preservation of the historic building(s) or structure(s). The following General Design Standards shall be applicable in conjunction to those standards and guidelines for the rehabilitation, repair or adaptive reuse of existing historic structures as allowed under this bylaw:

1. Each property shall be recognized as a physical record of its time, place, and use. Changes that create a false sense of historical development, such as adding conjectural features or architectural elements from other buildings, shall not be undertaken;
2. Distinctive features, finishes, and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship that characterize a historic property shall be preserved;
3. Deteriorated historic features shall be repaired rather than replaced. Where the severity of deterioration requires replacement of a distinctive feature, the new feature shall match the old in design, color, texture, materials and other visual qualities. Replacement of missing features shall be substantiated by documentary, physical, or pictorial evidence;
4. Configuration of roofs that are important in defining the overall historic character of the building such as hipped, gambrel, and mansard; decorative features, such as cupolas, cresting chimneys, and weathervanes; and roofing material such as slate, wood, clay tile, and metal, as well as its size, color, and patterning shall be preserved, repaired and restored;
5. Windows comprise a considerable amount of the historic fabric of a structure and thus deserve special consideration in preserving the historic character of the building
 - i. New window design shall have the same sash and pane configuration and other design details as the historic windows. Replacement windows shall have the same features including frames, sash, and muntin configuration and shall be compatible with the building's historic appearance and shall maintain, preserve and enhance the character-defining features of the structure;
 - ii. A character-defining window shall be repaired or replaced with a new window that conveys the same visual appearance as documented by historical evidence;
 - iii. Changing the historic appearance of windows through the use of inappropriate designs, materials, finishes, colors or changes in number, location, size or glazing pattern of windows, through cutting new openings, blocking-in windows, and installing replacement sash that do not fit the historic window opening shall not be considered.
6. Existing windows, shutters, cupolas, barn doors and other unique historic elements shall be repaired, restored and incorporated into the proposed rehabilitation design;
7. Natural materials shall be used for all exterior finishes. Compatible substitute materials may be allowed provided they are approved by the AHC;
8. Driveways, walkways, or seating/recreation areas (e.g. patios) shall be shown and finished in gravel, cobble, brick, or alternative material(s) approved by the AHC and Design Review Committee;
9. Existing stone walls and retaining walls shall be repaired and restored using natural materials. Other proposed site landscaping materials including fences and lighting shall be compatible with the historic fabric and character of the site;
10. More than 4 contiguous car spaces shall be screened by vegetative screening of shrubs at least five (5) feet in height and as approved by the board. Every two car spaces shall be separated by a six (6) feet landscaped island;
11. In order to protect the historic integrity of the structures and landscape, additions, alterations or changes to the architectural style, building footprint, exterior architectural features or construction of new structures shall not be allowed, unless such alterations do not adversely affect the historic integrity of the property, are supported by historical data or pictorial history, or are justified by an acceptable preservation approach, such as restoring a structure to a specific and significant time period. Such supporting historic data and proposed reconstruction design shall be subject to review and approval by the AHC;
12. Additions to existing structures and construction of new structures, if permitted, shall be compatible and congruous with the characteristics, both visually and materially, of the historic structures. New features and/or structures shall be secondary to the principal and historic structures and features, shall be differentiated from historic fabric, shall not diminish the integrity of the property, and shall not adversely affect the views associated with looking to or from the historic structures. Such additions or alterations shall not be allowed to portions of the building or structure visible from a public way or significant publicly owned land or a view shed or view corridors;
13. Historically appropriate exterior paint color schemes shall be used. Paint sampling and analysis, although not required, is recommended and can be highly instrumental in achieving a historically

appropriate palette. In the absence of paint chemistry, color selections based on historic photographs and regional historic paint charts (e.g. SPNEA) are acceptable;

14. Each historic building shall display a marker or sign, not to exceed one square foot in area or as approved by the AHC, designating the date, name, and significance (if relevant), of the structure. The sign design, layout, placement, and message shall be approved by the Board, so as not to obstruct the building's architectural features, or detract from the overall appearance of the property; and

15. The Board shall review and approve visible accessories and equipment associated with the project, including, but not limited to: exterior light fixtures, utility meters/equipment, site furnishings, mailboxes, signage (including address numbers), and ornamental hardware. Mechanical and utility equipment shall, to the greatest extent possible, be screened from view and hardware and fixtures shall be compatible with the historic character and image of the property.

6. FINAL ACTION BY THE BOARD:

Findings Required: In addition to the findings required under X.J., the Board shall make the following findings prior to issuing a HP-SP:

1. The historic character of a building, structure or the lot(s) shall be retained and preserved by the grant of the special permit. The removal of historic materials or alteration of features and spaces that characterize the affected lot(s) has not been proposed. The proposed renovation, repair or adaptive reuse preserves the historical and architectural features of the building(s), structure(s) or element(s);

2. The lot(s) shall be used for its historic purpose or be placed in a new use that requires minimal change to the defining characteristics of the existing historic building(s) or structure(s); and its environment;

3. The proposed uses or the relief from the dimensional requirements are necessary to maintain the historic or architecturally significant building(s), structure(s) or element(s) on the site on which it was originally constructed or to relocate it back to such a site;

4. The design standards under this bylaw have been incorporated in the reconstruction, rehabilitation or preservation of the existing historic building(s) or structure(s) and the design of all new buildings or structures; and;

5. The proposed use will not generate negative impacts to the surrounding neighborhood or overall zoning district or that the mitigation of any negative impacts has been clearly established and so determined by the Planning Board.

6. The proposed use will not generate negative impacts to the surrounding neighborhood or overall zoning district or that the mitigation of any negative impacts has been clearly established and so determined by the Planning Board.

7. ISSUANCE OF BUILDING PERMIT:

No building permit shall be issued until the approved plan endorsed by the Planning Board and signed by the Town Clerk, is recorded in the Registry of Deeds and copies of recorded documents listed below have been provided to the Board:

1. Deeded Preservation Restriction, as per Ch.184, s.31-32 governing the proposed preservation of an existing building(s) or structure(s) shown on the Site Plan and that is granted a HPSP. Historic rehabilitation standards for these building(s) shall conform to the Secretary of the Interior's "Guidelines for Preserving Rehabilitating, Restoring and Reconstructing Historic Buildings." In the event that the Mayor and/or Municipal Council do not approve the MGL Ch.184 designation, a permanent recordable Restrictive Covenant shall be required to protect the historic building(s) or structure(s) for the maximum extent allowed by law;

2. Any other Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions, including, but not limited to, conservation restrictions or development rights easements, shall be recorded by the owner(s) against the property containing provisions consistent with the requirements and restrictions of the Special Permit; and

3. If four (4) or more residential units are proposed, then a minimum of one (1) unit or 15% of the total number of units on the lot, which ever is greater, shall be affordable in perpetuity and as defined in Section V.F subsection 2, 4, and 5 of the Zoning Bylaw and meet the requirements of M.G.L. Ch. 40B s.20 -23, as amended from time to time, and shall have to satisfy the necessary requirements to allow those units to be counted towards the affordable housing inventory in Amesbury. Documents pertinent to such restrictions must have been reviewed and approved by the Board and the Town of Amesbury;

8. SEVERABILITY:

If any provision of this bylaw is held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the bylaw shall not be affected thereby. The invalidity of any section or sections or parts of any section or sections of this bylaw shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the Town's zoning by law. Councilor Robert Lavoie moved to adopt 2006-090 to amend the Amesbury Zoning Bylaw by adding section XI.J2 – Historic Preservation Special Permit By-Law as recommended by the Ordinance Committee with the attached amendments and to include that the Table of Use regulations be amended under residential with a separate rule being added saying Historic Uses; referencing sub section XI.J2 and showing S1 as special permit under R-8, R-20, R-40, R-80, RC and CBD with a footnote referencing as text, section XI.J2. Councilor Donna McClure seconded. VOTED – UNANIMOUS

2006-108 An Order to accept a \$500.00 donation from Walmart – Mayor Kezer sponsor
Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled and by the authority of the same, as follows votes to accept a donation from Walmart in the amount of \$500.00 for the purpose of purchasing contact devices, such as prepaid cell phones, so domestic violence victims may contact help immediately if needed; and authorize the Town, through the Police Department, to purchase the contact devices. There is no match requirement for this grant. Councilor Roger Benson moved the recommendation of the finance committee to approve as submitted. Councilor Mario Pinierio seconded. VOTED UNANIMOUS

At the meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on November 28, 2006, in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

2006-115 An Order to Increase the Exemption Amount of Qualified Applicants – Mayor Kezer sponsor
Be it Ordered by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: Section 1. That the Town of Amesbury increase the exemption amount of qualified applicants under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 17E, Clause 22 through 22E, Clause 37A, Clause 41D, Clause 42 and Clause 43 by 100 % as provided by Chapter 73, Section 4 of the Acts of 1986 as amended by Chapter 126 of the Acts of 1988. Councilor Roger Benson moved the recommendation of the Finance Committee to increase the exemption amount of qualified applicants as submitted. Councilor Pinierio seconded. ROLL CALL VOTE – UNANIMOUS

2006-116 An Order to hold the Annual Classification Hearing – Mayor Kezer sponsor
Be it Ordered by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:
That the Municipal Council vote on the issue of selecting a residential factor which will determine the percentage of tax burden to be borne by each class of property; vote open space discount; vote residential exemption; vote commercial exemption for fiscal year 2007.

1. The Selection of a Residential Factor:

Councilor McClure moved to amend the finance committee recommendation down to .978554 the minimum residential factor to support a shift of 115. Councilor Thone seconded. Roll Call Vote – 6-Yes, 3-No, King, Lavoie, Benson

2. An Open Space Discount:

Councilor Lavoie moved to vote not to create an open space discount. Councilor Brennick seconded. Voted – Unanimous

3. Residential Exemption:

Councilor Lavoie moved to vote not to create a residential exemption. Councilor Brennick seconded. Voted – Unanimous

4. Commercial Exemption:

Councilor Lavoie moved to vote not to create a commercial exemption. Councilor Brennick seconded. Voted - Unanimous

At the Special meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on December 7, 2006, in the Senior Center the following action was taken:

2006-116 Mayor's Veto (Classification)

1. The Selection of a Residential Factor:

Councilor Brennick moved to readopt 2006-116 Section one for the purpose of overriding the Mayor's veto and sustain the Council's vote on the same. Councilor McClure seconded. Roll Call Vote – 6-Yes, Brennick, Lindstrom, McClure, Pinierio, Thone, Lawrence, 3-No, King, Lavoie, Benson

At the meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on December 12, 2006, in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

2006-120 FY07 License Renewal – Auto Class II, Auto class III, Common Victualler, Dine Dance & Entertainment, Sunday Juke, Automatic Amusement, Inn Holders

Auto Class I

Amesbury Chevrolet & Volkswagen, Inc.	103 Macy Street
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Auto Class II

d/b/a Berry's Auto body	56 Monroe Street
Rt 110 Getty Service	9 Haverhill Road
R.W. Cook Equipment	57 Haverhill Road
d/b/a Auto Plus	2 Macy Street
Martin Road Salvage, Inc.	Martin Road
Amesbury Coach, Inc.	207 Elm Street
Amesbury Foreign Auto Repair	51 Macy Street
Byblos Automotive Services	29 Poplar Street
Phil's Auto Sales	83 1/2 Haverhill Road

Auto Class III

Martin Road Salvage Inc.	37 South Martin Road
Hall's Garage	33 Buttonwood Road
N.A. Nichols Co. Inc.	Railroad Avenue

Automatic Amusement

Irene's Super Sub & Pizza	7 Macy Street
The Barn Pub & Grille	3-5 Ring Street
Szechuan Café, Inc.	88 Haverhill Road
Friendly's	111 Macy Street
Leo's Super Bowl, Inc.	89 Haverhill Road
Lafayette Club, Inc.	11 High Street
Hillside Laundromat	200 Elm Street
Papa Gino's	100 Macy Street
Town House of Pizza	66 1/2 Haverhill Road

Dine, Dance & Entertainment

Amesbury Sports Park d/b/a Corner Kick Pub	12 So. Hunt Rd
Barking Dog Bar & Grill	21 Friend St.
The Barn Pub & Grill	5 Ring St.
Millyard Grille, LLC d/b/a Powow River Grille	31-33 Main Street #5
The Playhouse	194 Main St.
Mandarin Amesbury	88 Haverhill Rd.
Stage Two Cinema Pub. Inc.	109R Main St.
Wild Bites	65A Market St.
Maggie Sundae	60 Friend St.
Scandia Restaurant	37 Main St.

Inn Holders

d/b/a Mill Street Inn	11 1/2 Mill Street
Fairfield Inn By Marriott	35 Clarks Road

Sunday Juke Box

Carriage Wheel Pub	12 Friend Street
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Barking Dog Bar & Grill
Mandarin Amesbury
The Barn Pub & Grille
Union St. Jean Baptiste Council #14
Lafayette Naturalization Club, Inc.
Papa Gino's

Common Victualer

Acapulco's Mexican Family Restaurant
Amesbury Golf & Country Club Lounge, Inc.
Amesbury House of Pizza
Amesbury Youth Soccer Association
Amesbury Youth Funding
Andyman Dessert & Baking Company
Barking Dog Bar & Grill
Burger King
Verina Inc. d/b/a Busy Bee Pizza and Sub
Capaccio Italian Cuisine
Captain's Galley
Carriage Wheel Pub
China Maxim Restaurant
MacPie Inc. d/b/a Domino's Pizza
Amesbury Donuts Inc. d/b/a Dunkin Donuts
Federal Street Catering
Flatbread Amesbury, Inc.
Friendly Ice Cream
Hippie Chick Bakery
Pattens Hollow Café Inc.
Irene's Pizza
Irving Bluecanoe
Jade III Restaurant
Jenny's Wedding Cake
JMD Catering
Lafayette Naturalization Club, Inc.
Lafayette Lanes
CC&J LLC d/b/a McDonalds of Amesbury
Millyard Grille LLC d/b/a Powow River Grille
Subway of Amesbury
North East Ice Cream LLC
Papa Gino's, Inc.
Penny's Popcorn
Polish National Alliance (Polish Club)
Amesbury Sports Park d/b/a Corner Kick Pub
Pubali Corp d/b/a Richdale
Ristorante Molise
Scandia Restaurant
Sing For Your Supper
St.Jeans Club
Stage Two Cinema Pub, Inc.
Mandarin Amesbury
K&L Ventures d/b/a The Barn Pub & Grille
Pizza Factory
The Playhouse

21 Friend Street
88 Haverhill Road
3-5 Ring Street
61-67 Main Street
11 High Street
100 Macy Street

Route 110, Macy Street
Country Club Lane
242 Main Street
Town Ways
Town Ways
40 Hillside Ave
21 Friend Street
133 Macy Street
40 Market St
143 Elm Street
14 Pleasant Valley Road
10-12 Friend Street
52-54 Main Street
23 Rocky Hill Road
80 Macy St/Rocky Hill Rd.
Town Ways
Suite B1, 5 Market Square
111 Macy Street
11 Elm Street
194 Main Street
7 Macy Street
24 Rocky Hill Road
2 Market Square
186 Main Street
Town Ways
11 High Street
11 High Street
Macy Street
31-33 Main Street
105 Main Street
Town Ways
100 Macy Street
Town Ways
14 1/2 Mill Street
12 Hunt Road
65 Friend Street
One Market Square
37 Main Street
Town Ways
61-67 Main Street
109 Main Street
88 Haverhill Road
3-5 Ring Street
36 Friend Street
194 Main Street

Stop & Shop Supermarket Co.

Town House of Pizza

Weiloon Café

Whistlin Kettle

Wild Bites

JOCS, LLC d/b/a Sal's Pizza

JJ88 Zhao, Inc., d/b/a China Star

Maggie Sundae

The Buck Company, LLC d/b/a J Buck's Espresso &

Wine Bar

SEP2 Corp. d/b/a Hodgie's Ice Cream

Ovedia Artisan Chocolates

Councilor Pinierio moved to accept as amended. Councilor McClure seconded. Voted 7-Yes, 1-Abstain, Benson (1-Not present – King)

100 Macy Street

66 1/2 Haverhill Rd

49 Macy Street

Route 110, Macy Street

65A Market Street

84B Haverhill Street

107 Main Street

60 Friend Street

32 Rear Elm Street

71 Haverhill Road

36 Main Street - Rear

2006-126 Flatbread Amesbury – Dine, Dance & Entertainment license (new)

Councilor Pinierio moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Benson seconded. Voted Unanimous

2006-122 David Poulin – Landry Stadium Mgt. Committee term to expire 6/30/09

Councilor Lavoie moved for approval. Councilor Benson seconded. Voted Unanimous

2006-095 An Ordinance to Accept Land from Woodsom Limited Partnership – Councilor Lindstrom sponsor

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury that: The Town of Amesbury hereby accepts title to the two parcels of land shown as Lot 7 and Lot 8 on “Plan of Land in Amesbury, Massachusetts prepared for Woodsom Trust” dated March 21, 1989 and prepared by W.C. Cammett Engineering. Said plan is recorded at the Registry of Deeds for the Southern Essex District at Plan Book 251, Plan 37. Lot 7 contains 17.33 acres, more or less. Lot 8 contains 20.76 acres, more or less. These lands are the Common Open Space for two Rural Cluster subdivisions as approved by the Amesbury Planning Board in 1989.

The lands hereby accepted are those same lands, as described in paragraph one, conveyed to the Town by deed dated April 13, 1989, and recorded at the Registry of Deeds for the Southern Essex District in Book 9963 beginning at page 322, and by deed dated December 23, 1992, recorded at the Registry of Deeds for the Southern Essex District, in Book 11684 beginning at page 564. The Town accepts these lands for open space use as established and in conformance with M.G.L. c. 40A, §9 and the Town of Amesbury Zoning Bylaw, Section XI.D.9.

Councilor Thone moved the Ordinance Committee recommendation to accept 2006-095 with the amendment to add the following paragraph: This acceptance is intended to ratify and confirm the acceptance by the town of the conveyance of said land by deeds recorded with said registry of deeds in Book 9963, pages 317, 322 and 330 respectively and book 11684 beginning at page 564. Councilor Pinierio seconded. VOTED UNANIMOUS

2006-118 An Order to appropriate \$165,000 from free cash – General Permit for Stormwater

Discharges from Small Municipal Storm Sewer Systems in Urban Areas – Mayor Kezer sponsor

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled and by the authority of the same, as follows: To appropriate \$50,000 from Free Cash for the purpose of map storm water system. Councilor Brennick moved the finance committee recommendation to appropriate \$50,000 from Free Cash for the purpose of map storm water system. Councilor Pinierio seconded. Roll Call Vote 8-Yes, 1-No, King

2006 -127 Cynthia Roberts from associate position to full position on Lakes and Waterways.

Councilor Benson moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Pinierio seconded. Voted Unanimous

At the meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on January 3, 2007, in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

Administrative Order 2006-002 Executive reorganization of the Administrative Branch
Councilor McClure moved to reject the Mayor's executive order on re-organization. Councilor Thone seconded. Roll Call Vote 5-Yes, Brennick, Lindstrom, McClure, Thone, Lawrence; 3-No, Benson, King, Lavoie (Pinierio not present)

At the meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on January 9, 2007 in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

2007-003 Auto Class II – Carmart of Plaistow, 17 Haverhill Rd.
Councilor Brennick moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Pinierio seconded Voted 7- Yes, 1- Abstain, Benson (Lindstrom not present)

2007-007 Common Victualler – Best Choice, 23 Rocky Hill Rd.
Councilor Benson moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Pinierio seconded. Voted Unanimous

2006-121 An Order to authorize a transfer of \$4,000 for Conservation Commission – Mayor Kezer
Be it Ordered by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: to authorize the following transfer:

From:	(0117151 512262)	Part Time Agent	\$ 4,000
To:	(0117152 530005)	Consulting	\$ 4,000

to cover expenditures through the balance of FY2007.

Councilor Benson moved to approve to approve 2006-121 as submitted. Councilor McClure seconded. Voted – Unanimous (8 Members)

2006-123 An Order to accept a \$5,000 donation from the Amesbury Alliance for the Participation fee in an economic development self-assessment tool run by Northeastern University – Mayor Kezer sponsor
Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled and by the authority of the same, as follows: to accept a \$5,000 cash donation from the Alliance for Amesbury for sole purpose of participating in the Economic Development Self-Assessment Tool administered by the Center for Urban & Regional Policy at Northeastern University.

The Economic Development Self-Assessment Tool is designed to assist Massachusetts municipalities in attracting appropriate businesses, industry and jobs to their communities. The tool helps towns and cities understand the particular “deal breakers” in their communities that discourage appropriate expanded economic development.

The assessment of each individual community is kept completely confidential on a secure server, ensuring the results will not be used in an adverse manner, which can detract or compromise existing and proposed development activities in the community. There is no match required for this donation. Councilor Pinierio moved to accept 2006-123. Councilor Thone seconded. Roll Call – Voted Unanimous (8 Members present)

2006-124 An Order to Grant an Easement to Newburyport Five Cents Savings Bank – Mayor Kezer sponsor. Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: To authorize the Mayor to grant an Easement from the city to the Newburyport Five Cents Savings Bank, for no monetary consideration and in the form of the Easement Agreement attached hereto and incorporated herein, relative to an approximately five (5) foot strip of land along the westerly and northerly sides of the building at 43 Main Street, Amesbury, Massachusetts, further described in the Easement Agreement (“Easement Area”) for the purpose of (1) maintaining the walls and windows of the Newburyport Five Cents Savings Bank, (2) planting and maintaining plants, shrubs, grasses and other vegetation of any and all varieties within the Easement Area, and (3) resetting the granite and walkways and reconstructing the planters in the Easement Area.

Through a grant of the Easement, the City will be assured the area, encompassing a walkway that connects Downtown to a municipal parking lot, Powow River and Lower Millyard, will be well maintained and aesthetically attractive in accordance and compliment with adjacent and surrounding areas. Councilor Benson moved to approve 2006-124 as submitted. Councilor Pinierio seconded. Roll Call – Voted Unanimous (8 Members present))

2006-125 An Order to appropriate \$43,000 for the FY07 Fire Department Budget to fund an employment agreement with local 17833 I.A.F.F. – Mayor Kezer sponsor
Be it Ordered by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: That \$43,000 be appropriated from Fund 4120 Ambulance to Department 220 Fire Department Personnel Services to fund an employment agreement for the period July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2007 between the Town of Amesbury and Local 1783, I.A.F.F. Councilor McClure moved to approve 2006-125 as written. Councilor Benson seconded. Roll Call – Voted Unanimous (8 Members present)

2007-008 Municipal Council Meeting schedule
Councilor Benson moved to accept as submitted. Councilor McClure seconded. Voted Unanimous

2007-002 Amesbury Housing Authority, declare vacancy term to expire 12/31/07 and schedule joint meeting. Councilor Benson moved to declare the seat vacant. Councilor Pinierio seconded. Voted Unanimous. Councilor Benson moved to schedule a joint meeting with the Housing Authority February 13, 2007. Councilor Pinierio seconded. Voted Unanimous

At the meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on February 13, 2007, in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

2007-002 Joint meeting with the Housing Authority to fill vacant seat.
Councilor Lavoie moved to appoint Raymond Shockey to the Housing Authority. Councilor Pinierio seconded. Municipal Council Roll Call 9-Yes, Housing Authority Roll Call 3-Yes. Raymond Shockey appointed to the Housing Authority.

2007-009 Auto Class II – Rt. 110 Getty d/b/a Trust Auto Sales, 39 Hillside Ave.
Councilor Brennick moved to approve. Councilor Pinierio seconded. Voted 8-Yes, 1 Abstain, Benson

2007-010 Common Victualler – Daniel's Catering, Town Ways
Councilor Pinierio moved to approve. Councilor Benson seconded. Voted Unanimous

2007-013 Appoint Robert Martin to Cultural Council unexpired term to expire 6/30/08
Councilor Pinierio moved to approve. Councilor Benson seconded. Voted Unanimous

2007-014 Appoint Mark Tanzella to Parks & Recreation Comm. Unexpired term to expire 6/30/10
Councilor Pinierio moved to approve. Councilor Benson seconded. Voted Unanimous

2007-015 Appoint Helen Sullivan to Council on Aging unexpired term to expire 6/30/09
Councilor Lindstrom moved to approve. Councilor McClure seconded. Voted Unanimous

2006-101 An Ordinance to Amend Rule #19 of Council Rules & Procedures – Councilor Lindstrom sponsor. Be it enacted by the Municipal Council assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

Amendment to “Rule 19 – Legislative Enacting Style”

Add the following paragraph:

Any measure appropriating money shall be filed as an ordinance. All measures appropriating money shall include the following provision, or equivalent language: “Any monies remaining in this

appropriation, which are not expended for the purpose of [*purpose of appropriation*] shall be returned to the Town's General Fund."

Councilor Lavoie motioned to adopt per the recommendation of the Ordinance Committee to amend as follows: "Any measure appropriating money shall be filed as an Order. All measures appropriating money shall include the following provision, or equivalent language: Any monies remaining in this appropriation, which are not expended for the purposes specified, shall be returned to the General Fund, Enterprise Fund or otherwise originating fund and shall not be expended without further appropriation.", Councilor Pinierio seconded. Voted: 7 Yes, 1 No (King), 1 Abstain (Benson)

2007-004 An Order to surplus Municipal Vehicles – Mayor Kezer sponsor

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled and by the authority of the same, as follows: declare surplus the following Fire Department and Emergency Management tangible supplies:

- 1984 Ford Cut Van, VIN: 1FDKE37H1359568 [Fire Department]
- 2001 Ford Ambulance, VIN: 1FDXF47FX1EC84302 [Fire Department]
- 1995 Dodge Ram, VIN:2B7KB31Z8SK574624 [Emergency Management]
- 1985 Chevrolet Flatbed, VIN:1GBJK34M7FV203450 [Emergency Management]

Councilor Brennick moved to accept as submitted, Councilor Benson seconded. Voted – Unanimous

2007-005 An Order to accept \$49,875 Community Policing Grant – Mayor Kezer sponsor

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled and by the authority of the same, as follows: votes to accept a donation from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in the amount of \$49,875 for the purpose of supporting the goals and objectives of the Community Policing program as approved by the state. There is no match requirement for this grant.

Councilor Pinierio motioned to accept as submitted, Councilor Benson seconded. Roll Call Vote – Unanimous (9 members present)

2007-006 An Order to accept \$7,000 Traffic Enforcement Grant – Mayor Kezer sponsor

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled and by the authority of the same, as follows: votes to accept a grant donation from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety Programs Division in the amount of \$7,000 for the purpose of supporting five traffic enforcement mobilizations targeting seat belt use, speeding and operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs. There is 20% in-kind match requirement for this grant, which will be covered by Police Department's operating budget. Councilor Benson motioned to approve as submitted, Councilor Pinierio seconded. Roll Call Vote – Voted Unanimous

2006-117 An Order to adopt MGL c59, sec 5L – National guardsmen and reservists 180 day delay to pay taxes – Mayor Kezer sponsor

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled and by the authority of the same, as follows: the Town of Amesbury adopts Massachusetts General Law chapter 59, section 5L. Upon acceptance of this section by a municipality and notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary, any taxes due under this chapter by a member of the Massachusetts National Guard or reservist or a dependent of a member of the Massachusetts National Guard or reservist shall be deferred while that member is on active service outside the commonwealth and for the next 180 days after that service. No interest or penalties shall be assessed for any period before the expiration of those 180 days. Once accepted, this will apply to outstanding property taxes of qualifying guardsmen and reservists and their dependents regardless of when they fell due. Interest would be charged at a regular delinquency rate from the end of the 180 day period, unless the returning guardsman or reservist is still on active duty status and qualifies for the lower 6% rate under the Service members Civil Relief Act. Councilor Benson motioned to accept as submitted, Councilor Pinierio seconded. Voted – Unanimous

2006-128 An Ordinance to Amend Article 7 of the Town of Amesbury Bylaws – Councilor Lindstrom sponsor. Be it enacted by the Municipal Council assembled, and by the authority of the same to amend Article 7 of the Amesbury Bylaws as follows: Amend ARTICLE 7 - SUBMISSION OF THE ANNUAL BUDGET, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND FINANCIAL FORECAST of the Bylaws by adding the following:

- 7.9 All measures appropriating monies shall be filed as an Order and appropriately titled e.g. “An Appropriation Order”
- 7.9.1 Except as otherwise permitted by law, all amounts appropriated by the Council shall be expended only for the purposes specified.
- 7.9.2 All measures appropriating monies shall include the following provision, or equivalent language: Any monies remaining in this appropriation, which are not expended for the purposes specified, shall be returned to the General Fund, Enterprise Fund or otherwise originating fund and shall not be expended without further appropriation.
- 7.10 All measures transferring funds shall include for each transfer the specific source of funding for that transfer, Organization/Object Code or Order Number, and the specific Organization/Object Code or Order Number where the funds are to be transferred to. Transfer requests shall include the specific purpose of the transfer. Transfer requests shall include ALL the necessary statutory authorizations when submitted to the Council.

Councilor Thone motioned to accept as submitted, Councilor Pinierio second.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes, 2 No (King, Benson)

2007-012 A Resolution of Support – CDBG CDF 1 Grant Application –Councilor Lindstrom sponsor
Be it resolved the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury attests to its support of the ongoing work of the *Office of Community and Economic Development Department CDBG Program* in pursuing the Federal FY 2007 CDBG CDF1 Grant from the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD). The use of CDBG CDF1 funds will allow the Town of Amesbury to maintain its commitment to improve the quality of life of our residents through housing assistances, public services and infrastructure upgrades. In particular, this effort will benefit our more vulnerable population; our low and moderate-income elders, persons with disabilities as well as low and moderate-income households.
Councilor Benson moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Lavoie seconded. Voted – Unanimous

At the meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on February 22, 2007 in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

Councilor McClure moved to send a letter to advise Councilor Michelle Thone of the recall action and further direct Council President to seek a legal opinion from an outside Election Attorney to ensure the action is handled properly and to set a date for the election on Monday, May 21, 2007. Councilor Pinierio seconded. Roll Call Vote 5-Yes, Brennick, Lindstrom, McClure, Pinierio, Lawrence; 2-No, King, Lavoie (Thone and Benson absent)

At the meeting/ workshop of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on February 27 2007, in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

President Lawrence read the resignation letter from Councilor Brennick.
Councilor Benson moved to accept Councilor Brennick’s resignation. Councilor McClure seconded.
Voted 7-Yes, 1-No, Thone
Councilor Benson moved to declare the seat vacant. Councilor McClure seconded. 6-Yes, 2-No, Thone, Pinierio

At the meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on March 13, 2007, in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

2007-022 To Fill District Five vacancy

Councilor Benson nominated Joseph McMilleon, Councilor King Seconded.

Councilor McClure nominated Allen Neale, no second.

Councilor Pinierio nominated Thomas Iacobucci, Councilor Thone seconded.

Roll Call – Iacobucci – 4, Lindstrom, Pinierio, Thone, Lawrence; McMilleon – 2, King, Benson; 1, Abstain, McClure. Thomas Iacobucci appointed to fill District 5 vacancy.

2007-020 Auto Class II – Trust Auto Sales, 39 Hillside Ave.

Councilor Thone moved to approve, Councilor Lindstrom seconded. Voted 8-Yes

2007-021 Auto Class II – Drew's Tire, 85 Elm Street

Councilor Pinierio moved to approve, Councilor Lindstrom seconded. Voted - 8 - Yes, 1 – Abstain, King

2007-027 Common Victualler – Bartlett Museum (Civil War Reenactment)

Councilor Iacobucci moved to approve and waive the fee, Councilor Pinierio seconded. Voted - Unanimous

2007-026 Appoint Cory Riley to Conservation Commission unexpired term to expire 6/30/08

Councilor Benson moved to approve as submitted, Councilor Pinierio seconded. Voted - Unanimous

2007-011 Amend Municipal Council Rule 11A-1 – Councilor King sponsor

Councilor Iacobucci moved to amend Municipal Council Rule 11 by inserting: All Municipal Councilors are free to sit on all committees as non-voting participants and ask questions.

Seconded by Councilor Benson - Voted Unanimous

2007-017 Appropriate from Free Cash \$75,400, General Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Small Municipal Storm Sewer Systems in Urban Areas – Mayor Kezer sponsor

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled and by the authority of the same, as follows: To appropriate \$75,400 from Free Cash for the next phase of work required to complete of the General Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Small Municipal Storm Sewer Systems in Urban Areas required by the Environmental Protection Agency.

Councilor Pinierio moved to approve to appropriate \$75,400 for completion of the General Permit for Stormwater Discharge as submitted. Councilor Thone seconded. Roll Call Vote – Unanimous

2007-018 To Appropriate \$305,000 to cover the Police & Fire FY07 Budget – Mayor Kezer sponsor

Councilor Iacobucci moved to divide 2007-018 to 2007-018 for Fire and 2007-018A for Police, Councilor McClure seconded. Voted 6-Yes, 1 Abstain, King, 1-Recuse, Benson

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: that the Municipal Council vote to appropriate \$120,000 for the FY07 Fire Department Budget from Fund 4120 Ambulance as follows:

To Department 220 Fire - Personal Services \$ 60,000

Expenses - 60,000

Councilor McClure moved to appropriate \$120,000 for the FY07 Fire Department Budget from Fund 4120 Ambulance. Councilor Pinierio seconded. Voted 7-Yes, 1- Recuse, Benson

2007-025 Schedule a workshop – Rule 11D of the Municipal Council Rules and Procedures – Councilor King sponsor. Be it resolved by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled and by the authority of the same as follows: That Council President Lawrence schedule a workshop to evaluate all Municipal Council committees as mandated in Rule 11D of the Amesbury Municipal Council Fifth Session Rules and Procedures. Councilor Roger Benson moved for approval and to schedule the workshop for March 27, 2007 at 7:00 p.m., in the Town Hall Auditorium. Councilor Pinierio seconded. Voted Unanimous

At the meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on April 3, 2007, in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

2007- 030 An order that the Municipal Council rescind the vote of Feb. 22, 2007 regarding the setting of the District One Recall Election for May 21, 2007 due to procedural errors – Councilor Lawrence sponsor Councilor Benson moved for indefinite postponement, Councilor King seconded. Roll Call Vote - Unanimous

2007-029 An Order To Take Action on the District 1 Recall Petition Filed on February 12, 2007 and Certified as Sufficient on February 20, 2007- Councilor Lavoie sponsor Be it Ordered by the Municipal Council assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

SECTION 1: Whereas the Municipal Council on Tuesday, February 20, 2007 received the attached “CERTIFICATE OF SUFFICIENCY” from the Amesbury Town Clerk’s office pursuant to the provisions of Section 8-8(c) of the Town of Amesbury Home Rule Charter (“Charter”), certifying that the Petition filed on February 12, 2007 seeking the recall of District 1 Councilor Michelle M. Thone was sufficient; and whereas, the Municipal Council on February 22, 2007 sent notice to District 1 Councilor Michelle Thone by certified mail of receipt of a Certificate of Sufficiency from the Town Clerk, and whereas, such notice was never retrieved from the United States Postal Service; now therefore it is ordered by the Municipal Council that the Town Clerk is authorized and directed to provide Councilor Thone, by hand or regular mail, the previously mailed notice and accompanying documentation from the U.S. Postal Service.

SECTION 2: Whereas the Amesbury Municipal Council was notified by the Essex County District Attorney’s office by letter dated March 13, 2007 that a complaint had been filed with that Office alleging a violation of the “Open Meeting Law” by the Amesbury Municipal Council based on the fact that the February 22, 2007 9:30 a.m. meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council had been posted for less than 48 hours before the meeting; and whereas, the Open Meeting Law may require that votes taken at the February 22, 2007 Municipal Council meeting be retaken; and whereas the Municipal Council voted on February 22, 2007 to call for a special election to consider the question of recall of Councilor Michelle Thone on the basis of e-mail correspondence from Councilor Thone indicating her intention not to resign; and whereas the Council gave written notice by certified mail to Councilor Thone forthwith after said meeting; and whereas more than five days has elapsed since such notice was given, and District 1 Councilor Michelle Thone has not tendered her resignation from office; now therefore, the Municipal Council hereby votes, and re-affirms its earlier vote, to set the date for the recall election to be Monday, May 21, 2007.

SECTION 3: The Municipal Council hereby votes, and re-affirms its earlier vote, to seek a legal opinion from an outside Election Attorney.

SECTION 4: The Municipal Council hereby votes to incorporate herein by reference the minutes of the February 22, 2007 Municipal Council meeting for the purposes of curing any possible non-compliance with the open meeting law or with any other applicable legal requirements.

Councilor Lavoie moved to amend 2007-29 An Order to Take Action on the District 1 Recall Petition Filed on February 12, 2007 and Certified as Sufficient on February 20, 2007 to Amend Section 2 by changing the word “confirms” to “re-affirms”, to add Section 3 and Section 4. Councilor Benson seconded. Roll Call Vote – Unanimous (7- Members present) (Lawrence, Thone Absent)

At the meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on April 10, 2007, in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

2007-032 Common Victualler – Mad River Tavern, 37 Main St.

Councilor Iacobucci moved to approve, Councilor Pinierio seconded. Voted – Unanimous

2007-033 Automatic Amusement – Mad River Tavern, 37 Main St.

Councilor moved to approve, Councilor Pinierio seconded. Voted – Unanimous

2007-034 Dine, Dance Entertainment – Mad River Tavern, 37 Main St.
Councilor Pinierio moved to approve, Councilor Benson seconded. Voted –Unanimous

2007-035 Junk Dealer – Marianthi Chicklis, 15 Friend St.
Councilor Benson moved for approval as submitted, Councilor Lindstrom seconded. Voted - Unanimous

2007-036 Re-appoint: Robert E. Gaudet, Registrars of Voters, 3 yr term, 4/1/07-3/31/10;
James W. Humphries, Constable, 3 yr. term, 4/1/07-3/31/10. Councilor Lavoie moved to approve as submitted, Councilor Benson seconded. Voted – Unanimous

2007-016 An Order to Accept Nancy Drive – Mayor Kezer sponsor
Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled and by the authority of the same, as follows: to accept Nancy Drive a/k/a Woodwell Circle for ownership by the public as a public way. Planning Board recommended the Municipal Council accept Nancy Drive a/k/a Woodwell Circle as a Public Way. Councilor Roger Benson moved to accept Nancy Drive a/k/a Woodwell Circle as submitted. Councilor Lavoie seconded. Roll Call Vote – Unanimous

2007-018A To Appropriate \$185,000 to cover the Police FY07 Budget – Mayor Kezer sponsor
Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: that the Municipal Council vote to appropriate \$185,000 from Free Cash to be distributed as follows:

To Department 210 Police – Personal Services - \$120,000
Expenses - 44,850

Councilor Lavoie moved that 2007-018A being an order that the Municipal Council vote to appropriate the sum of \$185,000 for FY 2007 Police Department Budget to cover expenditures through the balance of FY 2007 be adopted as submitted. Councilor King seconded.

Councilor Lavoie requested under Rule 6N Division of the Question to divide the question into Expenses (Part II) from (Part 1) Salary & Personal Services. Voted unanimous

Councilor Iacobucci moved to amend 2007-018A Personal Services to appropriate \$120,000. Councilor Benson seconded. Roll Call Vote – 6-Yes, 2-No, Thone, McClure

Main Motion (Part 1) as amended to appropriate \$120,000 for Personal Services. Voted – 6-Yes, 2-No, Thone, McClure. Councilor Lavoie moved Part II – Expenses be funded at the requested amount of \$44,850.00. Councilor King second. Roll Call Vote – 6-Yes, 1-No, Lindstrom, 1- Recuse, Benson

2007-023 An Order to overspend the FY07 Snow & Ice Budget – Mayor Kezer sponsor
Be it Ordered by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: That the Municipal Council authorize the Town of Amesbury in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 31D, to overspend the Snow & Ice budget for FY2007 in order to protect the life and safety of its inhabitants. Councilor Benson moved to authorize the Town of Amesbury to overspend the Snow & Ice budget for FY 2007 as submitted. Councilor Lavoie seconded. Roll Call Vote – Unanimous

Councilor Benson moved to approve Councilor Pinierio's appointment to the finance committee.
Councilor Lindstrom seconded. Voted Unanimous

2007-037 Request to Approve the 2007 Election Calendar

Be it enacted by the Municipal Council assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:
2007 Election Calendar:

1. Friday, July 27, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. - Last day and hour to obtain nomination papers (MGL C. 53, Section 9A)

2. Tuesday, July 31, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. – Last Day and hour to submit nomination papers to the Board or Registrars for certification of signatures. (MGL C. 53, Section 7A)

3. Tuesday, August 14, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. – Last day and hour to submit nomination papers certified by Board of Registrars to the Town Clerk. (MGL C. 53, Section 10)
4. Thursday, August 16, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. – Last day to file withdrawals of or objections to nomination papers with the Town Clerk (MGL C. 55B, Section 7)
5. Thursday, August 16, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. Drawing by lot of positions on ballot for Preliminary Election (Town Charter Part VII, Section 7-2(b))
6. Wednesday, August 29, 2007 at 8:00 p.m., - Last day and hour to register to vote for Preliminary Election (MGL C. 51, Sections 26, 28)
7. Tuesday, September 18, 2007 – Preliminary Election 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (if necessary) (Town Charter – Part VII- Section 7-1)
8. Monday, September 24, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. – Last day and hour to file recount petition with the Town Clerk. (MGL C. 54, Section 135)
9. Wednesday, October 17, 2007 at 8:00 p.m. -Last day and hour to register to voters for Municipal Town Election (MGL Chapter 51, Section 26, 28)
10. Tuesday, November 6, 2007 – Municipal Town Election (Town Charter Part VII, Section 7-1)
11. Friday, November 16, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. – Last day and hour to file a recount petition with the Town Clerk. (MGL C. 54, Section 135)

Board of Registrars need not certify more names than required plus 20%

Certified signatures of at least fifty (50) voters are the minimum necessary for placement on the preliminary ballot for Mayor, Councilor at Large, School Committee, Planning Board, Library Trustees and Housing Authority; at least twenty-five (25) voters for District Councilors. (Town Charter, Part VII, Section 7-2(a).

Board of Registrars:

William J. Croteau, Jr.

Robert E. Gaudet

Normand W. Pare

Bonnijo Kitchin

Councilor Benson moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Pinierio seconded.

Voted – Unanimous (6 Members) Thone, McClure and Lawrence not present.

2007-042 Special Election Warrant – District 1 Recall - May 21, 2007

To either of the constables of the Town of Amesbury.

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Elections to vote at

1
(DISTRICT)
TOWN HALL AUDITORIUM, 62 FRIEND STREET
(POLLING PLACE)

MONDAY, MAY 21, 2007 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the following purpose:

Ballot Question One:

Shall Michelle M. Thone, District 1 Councilor be recalled?

YES _____

NO _____

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this _____ day of _____, 2007

Municipal Councilors of: AMESBURY
(City)

_____ Councilor Benson moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Lavoie seconded. Voted Unanimous (6 members) Thone, McClure and Lawrence not present.

2007-043 Request to Approve the Special Recall Election Calendar for May 21, 2007 for District 1 Recall. Be it enacted by the Municipal Council assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:
Election Calendar:

1. Tuesday, May 1, 2007 8am to 8:00 pm - Last day and hour to register to vote for the municipal election. MGL C. 51, S 26, 28 – 8:00pm of the twentieth day preceding the election -
2. Monday, May 21, 2007 Special Recall Election - 7:00am to 8:00 pm
3. May 31, 2007 at 5:00 pm - Last day and hour to file recount petition with the Town Clerk, MGL C 54, S. 135 – may be filed with the Town Clerk on or before 5:00 pm on the tenth day following an election by petition of ten or more voters per district

Board of Registrars:

William J. Croteau, Jr.

Robert E. Gaudet

Normand W. Pare

Bonnijo Kitchin

Councilor Benson moved for approval as submitted. Councilor Pinierio seconded. Voted – Unanimous (6 members present) Thone, McClure and Lawrence not present.

At the meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on May 8, 2007, in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

2007-052 Common Victualler – Barking Dog Ale House d/b/a Tanya's Pizza (transfer)

Councilor Pinierio moved to approve, Councilor Benson seconded. Voted Unanimous

2007-053 Junk Dealer – Yesterday's Charms & Redesign

Councilor Benson moved to approve, Councilor McClure seconded. Voted Unanimous

2007-048 Pool Table License Renewals 2007– Sunday and Weekday

Councilor Iacobucci moved for approval, Councilor Benson seconded. Voted Unanimous

2007-049 Bowling License Renewals 2007– Sunday and Weekday

Councilor Lavoie moved for approval, Councilor Iacobucci seconded. Voted 8-Yes, 1-Abstain

2007-050 Junk Dealer License Renewals 2007

Councilor Benson moved to approve, Councilor Pinierio seconded. Voted Unanimous.

2007-062 Common Victualler License – Naples Pizza, 142 ½ Elm Street

Councilor Benson moved to approve, Councilor Pinierio seconded. Voted Unanimous

2007-031 An Order to Amend Rule 20 – Electronic Messaging Policy of Amesbury Council 5th Session Rules – Councilor Lavoie sponsor. Be it Ordered by the Municipal Council assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

Rule 20 - Electronic Messaging Policy of the Amesbury Municipal Council Fifth Session Rules and Procedures is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

RULE 20 - ELECTRONIC MESSAGING POLICY

It shall be the policy of the Municipal Council and its Committees that when communicating among a quorum via electronic messaging services including but not limited to electronic mail (e-mail), Internet web forums, and Internet chat rooms ("electronic messaging"), use of such electronic messaging shall be limited to ministerial purposes such as requesting or distributing any materials or public records containing objective information, including but not limited to reports, meeting minutes, meeting agendas, decisions, rulings, contracts and legislative proposals and for other purely ministerial purposes such as but not limited to providing agenda items and related background materials, providing notification of meeting times or meeting dates, or engaging in similar non-deliberative actions. Communications, involving discussion or exchanging of views, between and among a quorum of the

Council or between and among a quorum of any Council Committee shall not be permitted. Materials that describe or discuss arguments for or against any matter of public policy shall not be considered "materials or public records containing objective information", and shall not be sent by any Councilor or any Council committee member to any quorum or more than a quorum of the Council or committee members.

Upon the sending of any electronic messaging that relates to the business of the Town of Amesbury, by any Councilor or any member of a Council Committee to any other Councilor or to any member of a Council Committee, the sender shall simultaneously electronically copy the Town Clerk on said electronic messaging, and the Town Clerk shall print and retain such electronic messaging in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

Councilor Iacobucci moved the recommendation of the Ordinance Committee as amended. Councilor Lavoie seconded. Voted – Unanimous

2007-040 An Ordinance to Amend the 5th Session Council Rules & Procedures – Councilor Iacobucci sponsor. Be it ordained by the Municipal Council assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:

Section One: RULE 6B – *Order of Speaking* By striking its text in its entirety and substituting in its place the following:

RULE 6B – *Order of Speaking*

Council members will be called upon to speak in the order outlined in RULE 6M – *Roll Call*, sub-heading Rotation. Each Council member will be individually recognized and given an equal opportunity of Five minutes to ask questions and/or make statements.

Only after each member, choosing to speak has spoken then members may be called, in the same Rotation, to speak a Second time. Members speaking a second time will again be limited to five minutes to ask questions and/or make statements. Subsequent rotation shall be at the discretion of the presiding officer. Members may not yield their speaking time to other members.

Section Two: RULE 6I – *Debate* By striking its text in its entirety and substituting in its place the following: RULE 6I – *Debate*

The motion to adjourn, the motion to lay upon the table or take from the table, for the previous question shall be decided without debate.

Any member of the Council may bring a properly agendized matter of business before the Council by making a motion; for which no second shall be required. When two or more members request the floor at the same time, the Presiding Officer shall name the member who shall first be heard. The Presiding Officer shall open the matter for debate offering the first opportunity to debate to the moving party, thereafter, member shall be called as outlined in Rule 6B.

Once the matter has been fully debated and the Presiding Officer calls for a vote, no further debate will be allowed, unless the Council overrules the Presiding Officer by a majority vote.

Section Three: RULE 11B - POLICY COMMITTEES second paragraph is amended by striking the words "by resolution."

Section Four: RULE 15D – *Decorum Enforcement* is amended by striking the words "Upon a violation of the rules of order and decorum established in this resolution, the procedure to enforce the rules is as follows:" and replacing them with "Violations of the rules of decorum shall be dealt with as follows:"

Councilor Lindstrom moved to accept 2007-040 as amended. Councilor Pinierio seconded. Voted 7-Yes, 2-No, King, Benson

2007-045 An Ordinance to Amend Rule 5E – Order of Business of the 5th Session Council Rules & Procedures – Councilor Iacobucci sponsor

Be it ordained by the Municipal Council assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:

Section One: RULE 5E – *Order of Business* By striking its text in its entirety and substituting in its place the following:

RULE 5E – *Order of Business*

At every regular meeting of the Municipal Council, the order of business shall be as follows:

1. Call To Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Act on Minutes
5. Public Comment
6. Council Comment
7. Public Hearings
 - Licenses and Permits
 - Mayoral Appointments
 - Reports by Officials, Boards and Commissions \ Special Presentations
 - Non-Measures
 - Measures
8. Second Readings
 - Rules and Procedures
 - Measures
9. First Readings (new business)
10. Correspondence
 - President/Vice President Communications
 - Communication from Elected Officials, Boards and Commissions
 - Council Communications, Announcements and Committee Reports
11. Adjournment

No First Readings shall be taken up after 10:30 P.M. and any remaining agenda item will be brought forward at the Council's discretion.

Section Two: The attached document titled "Purpose of Public Hearings" shall be added as Addendum M to the Council Rules and Procedures for guidance purposes...

Section Three: The attached document titled "Public Comment / Public Hearing Speaker's Request Form" shall be added as Addendum N to the Council Rules and Procedures.

Councilor Benson moved the Ordinance Committee recommendation for approval as amended.

Councilor Pinierio seconded. Voted – Unanimous

2006-105 An Ordinance to Accept Ch 184 Sec 52 of the Acts of 2002 and Amend 98-204 – Councilor Lindstrom, Lawrence sponsor. An Ordinance to: Accept MGL Chapter 59 Sec 5k - Property tax liability reduced in exchange for volunteer services; persons over age 60; and

Measure 98-204 is hereby amended to conform to guidelines established in MGL Title X: Chapter 59 / Sec 5k by replacing the existing text of Measure 98-204 with the following: Senior Real Estate Tax Reduction Program

In accordance with Massachusetts General Law Chapter 59 § 5k, a resident homeowner, spouse of same, or trustee over the age of 60, who has resided and is currently residing in a primary residence in the Town of Amesbury (volunteer) and has limited financial resources with gross income not exceeding 500% of the current poverty guidelines updated periodically in the Federal Register by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) may volunteer to provide services to the Town in exchange for a reduction of the real property tax obligations of such home. Any reduction so provided shall be in addition to any exemption or abatement to which any such person is otherwise entitled and no such person shall receive a rate of, or be credited with, more than the current minimum wage of the commonwealth per hour for services. Nor shall the reduction of the real property tax bill exceed the maximum amount as established from time to time in MGL Chapter 59 Section 5K. The Town of Amesbury shall maintain a record for each volunteer including, but not limited to, the number of hours of service and the total reduction earned, and to provide a copy of such record to the Assessor in order that the actual tax bill will reflect the reduced rate net of any applicable withholdings. A copy of such record shall also be provided to the volunteer prior to the issuance of the actual tax bill.

In no instance shall the tax liability reduction in exchange for the provision of services be considered income, wages, or employment for purposes of taxation as provided in Massachusetts General Law Chapter 62, for the purposes of withholding taxes as provided in Chapter 62B, for the purposes of workers' compensation as provided in Chapter 152 or any other applicable provisions. Such person

while providing such services shall be considered a public employee for the purposes of Chapter 258, but such services shall be deemed employment for the purposes of unemployment insurance as provided in Chapter 151A.

The Amesbury Director of the Council on Aging shall manage this program. Volunteers will be subject to all applicable personnel policies of the Town. The Director of the Council on Aging shall report to the Assessor the property tax reduction earned for each volunteer on a quarterly basis.

This program shall include a total Town liability cap as established by appropriation in the annual operating budget. The amendment shall become effective in fiscal year 2008.

Councilor Iacobucci moved the recommendation of the Ordinance Committee to accept 2006-105 as amended. Councilor Benson seconded. Councilor Lindstrom moved to amend the main motion by changing 450% in paragraph one to 500%. Voted – Unanimous Main motion as amended - Voted Unanimous

2007-038 An Ordinance to Amend Articles Two and Three of the Town Bylaws – Councilor Iacobucci sponsor. Be it enacted by the Municipal Council assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:

Section 1. Article 2 of the Town Bylaws is hereby stricken in its entirety; and the number Article 2 is reserved for future use.

Section 2. Article 3 of the Town Bylaws is hereby amended by striking the title and inserting in its place the following title: "Proceedings of the Municipal Council".

Section 3. Article 3 of the Town Bylaws is hereby amended by striking its entire text, and inserting in its place the following text:

3.1 Proceedings of the Municipal Council. Except as otherwise provided by law, all proceedings of the Municipal Council shall be governed by the rules of procedure adopted by the Council pursuant to Section 3-5(c) of the Charter.

3.2 Continuation of Rules until Altered or Superseded. Rules of procedure in force and existence at the adjournment *sine die* of a Municipal Council shall govern the organization of the next Municipal Council and shall continue until changed.

3.3 Amendment of the Rules. The rules of procedure may be re-enacted or amended only if such enactment or amendment is approved by two-thirds of the members of the Municipal Council. Except in emergency conditions, meeting the requirements of Sections 3-7(a) and 3-7(b) of the Charter, no change to the Council's rules shall be approved on the date on which it is introduced.

Suspension of the Rules. The rules of procedure may be suspended only in accordance with such procedures as may be specifically provided by such rules.

Councilor Iacobucci moved the Ordinance Committee recommendation to accept 2007-038 as submitted. Roll Call - King-No, Lavoie-Yes, Lindstrom-Yes, McClure-Yes, Pinierio-Yes, Thone-Yes, Benson-No, Iacobucci-Yes, Lawrence-Yes. Voted

2007-046 Change Nancy Drive to Woodwell Circle – Councilor Iacobucci sponsor cont.

Be it ordained by the Municipal Council assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

Section 1. The Public Way named Nancy Drive a.k.a Woodwell Circle will be hereafter named Woodwell Circle; said change will be recorded with the Board of Assessors, Post Office, Registry of Deeds, Public Safety Agencies, etc. Councilor Pinierio moved the Ordinance Committee recommendation to approve 2007-046, the public way named Nancy Drive a.k.a. Woodwell Circle will be hereafter named Woodwell Circle as submitted. Councilor Benson seconded. Roll Call – King-Yes, Lavoie-Yes, Lindstrom-Yes, McClure-Yes, Pinierio-Yes, Thone-Yes, Benson-Yes, Iacobucci-Yes, Lawrence-Yes. Voted

At the Special Meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on May 23, 2007, in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

2007-055 A Request that the Municipal Council vote to amend the existing Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Amesbury to adopt as an Overlay District, M.G.L. c.40R and 760 CMR 59.00 and M.G.L. c.40S, Smart Growth Zoning District, inclusive, as an overlay zoning district.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: that the Municipal Council hereby votes to amend the existing Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Amesbury by adopting the attached new section XI.Q entitled "Amesbury Gateway Village 40R Smart Growth Overlay District (AGVSGOD)" relating to an Overlay District under M.G.L. c. 40R and 760 CMR 59.00 and M.G.L. c. 40S and to amend the Zoning Map by adding the Overlay District and the Sub-Districts as shown on Exhibits 1 and 2 of the proposed new Section XI.Q. attached hereto." Councilor Iacobucci moved the recommendation of the Ordinance Committee to approve as amended by Planning Board and Ordinance Committee. Roll Call Vote – Yes–King, Lavoie, Lindstrom, McClure, Pinierio, Benson, Iacobucci, Thone

At the meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on June 12, 2007, in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken

2007-064 Common Victualler – Pat McNally Ice Cream Truck – Town Ways
Councilor Pinierio moved to approve. Voted Unanimous

2007-068 Common Victualler – Phat Cats, 65 A Market St.
Councilor Lindstrom moved to approve. Voted Unanimous

2007-024 An Order to appropriate \$7,418.85 for repairs to the Harbormaster boat – Mayor Kezer
Be it Ordered by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: That \$ 7,418.85 is appropriated from Fund 4150, Waterways Improvement, to pay Steve's Shop, Inc., Marine Repair, for repairs to the Harbormaster boat. Councilor Iacobucci moved for adoption to appropriate \$7418.85 from Waterways Improvement as outlined in the Mayor's proposal. Roll Call Vote – Unanimous (8 members)

2007-047 Accept a \$5,000 donation from The Provident Community Foundation – Mayor Kezer
Be it ordered by the Municipal Council assembled and by the authority of the same as follows: That the Municipal Council accept a donation in the amount of \$5,000.00 from The Provident Community Foundation and authorize the Town, through the Office of Community and Economic Development to use the funds for field trips for the 2007 Amesbury Summer Youth Program. Councilor McClure moved the finance committee recommendation to accept a \$5,000 donation from Provident Community Foundation as submitted. Roll Call Vote - Unanimous - 8 Members present

2007-054 Accept a \$5,000 grant from EOPS for 911 training – Mayor Kezer
Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: That the Municipal Council vote to accept a grant in the amount of \$5,000.00 from EOPS for the purpose of training personnel on the new e-911 system due to be installed mid June, 2007, and authorize its expenditure by the Amesbury Police Department in accordance with the attached grant application package. Councilor McClure moved the finance committee recommendation to accept a grant in the amount of \$5,000 from EOPS as submitted. Roll Call Vote – Unanimous 8-Yes

2007-056 Accept a \$7,800 grant from EOPS for Firefighting Equipment –Mayor Kezer
Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: That the Municipal Council vote to accept a grant in the amount of \$7,800.00 from EOPS for firefighting equipment, and authorize its expenditure by the Amesbury Fire Department in accordance with the attached grant application package. Councilor McClure moved the finance committee recommendation to accept a grant in the amount of \$7800 from EOPS for firefighting equipment as submitted. Roll Call Vote – Unanimous (8 members present)

2007-059 An Order to transfer within Landry Stadium Fund – Mayor Kezer

Be it Ordered by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: to authorize a transfer within the Landry Stadium Fund to cover expenditures through the balance of FY2007.

From:	6430	Landry Surplus	\$ 8,500
To:	6430	Landry Expense	\$ 8,500

Councilor McClure moved the finance committee recommendation to approve the transfer within the Landry Stadium Fund as submitted. Roll Call Vote – Unanimous (8 – members present)

2007-060 An Order to transfer to Snow and Ice to cover FY07 – Mayor Kezer

Be it Ordered by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: to authorize a transfer to Snow and Ice Removal as follows:

From:	911	Employee Benefits	\$ 105,000
To:	423	Snow Personnel Services	\$ 31,000
	423	Snow Expenses	\$ 74,000

Councilor McClure moved the finance committee recommendation to approve the transfer to Snow and Ice as submitted. Roll Call Vote Unanimous

2007-061 An Order to transfer between General Department funds – Mayor Kezer

Be it Ordered by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: To authorize a transfer between General Department Funds as follows:

From:	(141)	Assessors Expenses	\$ 750
	(162)	Elections Personnel Services	\$ 1,000
	(400)	DPW Personnel Services	\$ 13,000
	(710)	Debt Service Expenses	\$ 15,000
	(911)	Employee Benefits	\$ 2,900
	(945)	Insurance	\$ 6,650
To:	(141)	Assessors Personnel Services	\$ 750
	(162)	Elections Expenses	\$ 1,000
	(400)	DPW Expenses	\$ 13,000
	(121)	Mayor Personnel Services	\$ 2,200
	(134)	Admin & Finance Personnel Svcs	\$ 1,450
	(134)	Admin & Finance Expenses	\$ 2,900
	(561)	Veterans Expenses	\$ 18,000

to cover expenditures through the balance of FY2007

Councilor McClure moved the finance committee recommendation to approve the transfers between General Department Funds as submitted. Roll Call Vote – Unanimous (8 members)

2007-041 An Ordinance that the Municipal Council Accept Art. 17, Sec 9 – Cemeteries Ordinance – Mayor Kezer sponsor. Be it Ordained by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

That the Municipal Council vote to accept Article 17, Section 9 – Cemeteries Ordinance, as written in the following text.

9.1 Management:

The Director of the Department of Public Works (“DPW”) shall have overall responsibility for the proper management of Town Cemeteries in accordance with these rules and regulations and applicable federal and state laws.

9.2 Cemetery Hours:

Cemeteries will be open for visitation between the hours of dawn and dusk in accordance with Chapter 114 §42A of Massachusetts General Law.

Mount Prospect Cemetery lower gate closes to motor vehicles at 3 P.M. The upper gate will remain open for pedestrian access during cemetery hours.

9.3 Definitions:

- a. Grave: The term grave shall apply to a space of approximately 3-1/2' x 10' to accommodate one vault for single depth burial or two vaults for double depth burial or up to four cremations interments.
- b. Monument: Any memorial structure of granite, marble or other natural stone which shall extend above the surface of the ground other than a tomb, mausoleum, headstone, foot stone, or grave marker.
- c. Headstone: A stone set vertical or flush to mark the location of a particular grave and shall be erected at the head of the grave.
- d. Foot stone: A stone to mark the location of a particular grave and shall be set at or below ground level at the foot of the grave. No more than one foot stone measuring no more than 2'-0" x 1'-0" x 8" is allowed on each grave.
- e. Corner marker: A one-piece stone or other approved material set at all four corners, flush with the ground, of a lot to mark the location of the particular grave or lot.
- f. Lot: The term lot shall apply to a space laid out in the Cemetery to accommodate multiple graves.
- g. Lot marker: Any marker or means used by DPW to locate the corner of the lot.
- h. Lot/Grave deed: An instrument issued by the Town giving the Lot purchaser the right of interment of human remains only.

9.4 General Cemetery Rules:

- a. Dignified behavior shall be observed at all times in any of the cemeteries.
- b. Visitors must refrain from trespassing upon grave lots whenever possible.
- c. No motorcycling, mini biking, snowmobiling, cross country skiing, bicycling, skateboarding or any other type of recreational sport is allowed.
- d. Vehicles must proceed cautiously, but at no time shall they exceed 15 mph on cemetery roads.
- e. Vehicles must remain on the roads and should not park or drive on lawn area of cemetery.
- f. A public way must not be laid out or constructed in, upon or through a burial ground in accordance with Chapter 114 §41 of Massachusetts General Law. Existing cemetery ways must not be used as public ways or cut-throughs.
- g. Plantings by flush markers are prohibited.
- h. No shrubs shall be planted on individual lots. Shrubs may be donated to cemetery; and DPW will plant the donated shrub in a designated memorial planting area within the cemetery.
- i. The disposal of flowers and other debris is prohibited except in receptacles provided by the DPW.
- j. The DPW shall remove funeral floral arrangements.
- k. No firearms are allowed in the cemeteries unless by public safety personnel or authorized persons on military occasions.
- l. The town is not responsible for damage to flowers, flags, containers or holders due to weather, vandalism, theft or maintenance procedures.
- m. Domesticated animals are prohibited except for those which provide assistance to and are accompanied by a physically impaired person.

9.5 Decorative Items which are allowed:

- a. Planting may be placed within 12 inches of the front of the main headstone only and may be bark mulched.
- b. Urns or clay pots may be placed in the 12 inch planting area to front of the headstone only.
- c. Artificial flowers.
- d. Wreaths and Christmas greens; which will be removed after February 1st of each year, weather permitting.
- e. Veteran Flags may be installed at the back edge of the flush marker only and must be maintained in proper, presentable condition.
- f. Religious artifacts may be placed at the base of the headstone only.
- g. The Director of the Department of Public Works has the right to have anything removed from a lot that he considers to be objectionable or injurious to the use, purpose and uniform esthetics of any cemetery or in violation of any of the rules and regulations governing its operation.

9.6 Cemetery Maintenance and Repair:

- a. The Director of Public Works or DPW employees under his direction shall have the right to enter upon any lot or other part of any town maintained cemetery to inspect, view or perform such work as may be deemed appropriate.
- b. The DPW may, at any time, lay out, alter, or eliminate sections of driveways, cartways or walkways, or change grade in a manner in which in their opinion will maximize on the appropriate usage if cemetery property without jeopardizing its esthetic qualities.
- c. Gravestone rubbings are prohibited without the specific authorization of the Director of the Department of Public Works.
- d. The Town reserves to itself the exclusive control without further recourse or notice, over every tree, shrub, vine, or other plant growth within the boundaries of all town owned cemeteries including the right of removal without notice any tree, shrub or vine when it considers such removal necessary. The removal of plants or stripping of blossoms from the trees is prohibited. Tapping of trees is prohibited

9.7 Violations:

- a. Any person who violates the cemetery rules and regulations and / or willfully or neglectfully damages, defaces or destroys cemetery property including fences, gates, grounds, markers monuments and graves shall be subject to fines and/or prosecution by the proper authority, to include but not limited to:
 - i. Any person violating this ordinance shall be liable to the Town in the amount of \$50.00 for the first violation and \$100.00 for each subsequent violation. Fines shall be recovered by or on complaint before the District Court, or by non-criminal disposition in accordance with Chapter 40 §21D of the general laws, and Article 10 Penalty and Enforcement Bylaw of the Town. Each day of violation shall constitute a separate offense. The Director of the Department of Public Works and his designees are authorized as enforcing persons for this purpose. Section 9.4.(m) may be enforced by the Animal Control Officer.
 - ii. MGL Chapter 272 § 73 which addresses the willful destruction, removing or injuring of tombs, graves, memorials, trees, or plants within a cemetery, punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 or imprisonment.
 - iii. MGL Chapter 272 § 74 which addresses the desecration of a burial place, which includes fences, trees, shrubs, paths and plants, punishable by a fine of up to \$100.00
 - iv. MGL Chapter 272 § 75 which addresses the removal of flowers, flags or memorial tokens from a burial lot, punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment.

9.8 Burial Lots, Fees, Interments:

Town maintained cemeteries are non-denominational and all burial lots are available regardless of religious affiliation.

9.9 Interment:

- a. Interments are not made on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Veterans' Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.
- b. There will be an extra charge for all funerals on Saturdays, Sundays, holidays, and processions arriving after 2:00 P.M. weekdays.
- c. A burial request must be received from the funeral director 48 hours in advance of an interment. An additional fee will be assessed for any burial request that does not provide the 48 hour notification.
- d. The Department will receive telephone orders for opening a grave, but disclaim liability of error in such cases. All written orders must be plainly and correctly written in ink.
- e. No interment will be made without an interment order and burial permit.
- f. No interment will be made until all fees charged for the same have been paid.
- g. Funeral directors are required to have all interment orders signed by the proprietor or legal representative of the lot, or grave, and presented to the Public Works Office before the time set for interment.
- h. All interments must be made in permanent containers and enclosed in an outer container/vault made of durable and lasting material approved by the Director of Public Works or his/her designee.

- i. In cases of extreme weather conditions or other causes beyond human control, or because of any other extenuating circumstances, the Director of Public Works or designee may at his discretion postpone making a scheduled interment until conditions permit interment.
- j. The Director of Public Works or designee may refuse to make an interment until a more expedient time if too many funerals are scheduled to arrive at the same hour.
- k. All funerals must enter the cemetery through the main gate and upon entering shall be under the charge of the Director of Public Works or his assistants.

9.10 Disinterment:

For any disinterment, a Funeral Director must be engaged to ensure compliance with relevant Massachusetts' laws. Removals are prohibited between May 15th and October 15th.

9.11 Receiving Tomb:

During the winter season, the decision as to whether a grave can be dug, or whether the body must be placed in the vault, rests with the Director of Public Works or designee. It is the intention of the DPW to perform burials throughout the winter but this is weather dependent and delays should be anticipated.

9.12 Markers:

- a. All foot markers must be flush with the existing ground. Slant markers are not allowed. Any military marker or monument supplied by the Government must be flush with the ground.
- b. No foundations will be constructed and no stonework will be set when the ground is not in the proper condition for such work.
- c. Fees charged for foundations and the installation of markers must be paid in full prior to installation.
- d. All monuments and/or markers (other than bronze veteran markers) shall be made of good quality granite, hard marble or other natural stone not susceptible to disintegration or corrosion.
- e. All work must be performed during normal working hours of the cemetery and all contractors will be held responsible for the protection of other stones, paths, avenues, graves, trees and shrubs.

9.13 Adoption:

- a. The following ordinance adopted by the City know as the Town of Amesbury on June 12, 2007, shall govern the operation and management of all Town Cemeteries, as provided for in Chapter 114 of Massachusetts General Law. Rules and regulations adopted in 1957 are hereby superseded and cancelled.
- b. Per the Acts and Resolves of the Massachusetts General Court in the year 1958, these rules and regulations do not supersede rules, regulations or rights conveyed to deeded lots in Old Corner Cemetery or Mount Prospect Cemetery, acquired from the Association prior to conveyance of the cemeteries to the Town.

Councilor Iacobucci moved the ordinance committee recommendation to approve as amended by the Mayor's Office with the following amendments: Add section 9.4(m) Domesticated animals are prohibited except for those which provide assistance to and are accompanied by a physically impaired person. Add to section 9.7 (a)(i) – Section 9.4 (m) may be enforced by the Animal Control Officer.

Roll Call Vote – 7-Yes, 1-No, King (8 members present)

2007-057 An Order to Place a Public Policy Question “An Act Relative to Limiting the Use of Eminent Domain” on the 11/06/07 ballot – Councilor Lindstrom cont.

Section 1. Pursuant to Section 8-6 of the Amesbury Town Charter, the following policy question shall be placed on the ballot for the next regular election to be held on November 6, 2007:

Shall the Town petition the Legislature to enact the Special Legislation Relative to Limiting the Use of Eminent Domain Powers as described in Ordinance 2006-013?

Yes _____ NO _____

Section 2. The voters' decision on this Measure shall be binding upon the Town, with the same force and effect as if the Measure had been submitted by initiative petition.

Section 3. If approved by the voters, the Special Legislation shall be adopted precisely as follows. The General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Municipal Council approves amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court. The Municipal Council is hereby authorized to approve amendments, which shall be within the scope of the general

public objectives of the petition. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

AN ACT RELATIVE TO LIMITING THE USE OF EMINENT DOMAIN

Section 1. General limitations on use of eminent domain

(a) Only the Amesbury Municipal Council may use the power of eminent domain to take property from private owner(s). Eminent domain power shall not be used by any other agency of the Town of Amesbury nor by any political subdivision thereof nor by any other local entity. The Municipal Council shall not transfer eminent domain power to any other entity.

(b) Any measure to take property by eminent domain may only be approved if two-thirds of the entire Amesbury Municipal Council vote to approve such measure and if such measure is also approved by the Mayor. If less than two-thirds of the full Council membership votes to approve an eminent domain taking, such taking shall be deemed to be denied.

(c) Any vote on a measure to take property by eminent domain must be made by roll call vote.

Section 2. Eminent domain powers limited to public use; "public use" defined

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Municipal Council shall not use eminent domain authority unless the property to be taken is necessary for a public use.

Definition of "public use": The term "public use" shall only mean:

(i) the possession, occupation, and enjoyment of the land by the general public, or by public agencies;

(ii) the use of land for the creation or functioning of public utilities;

(iii) the acquisition of abandoned property, where the Town has made diligent efforts to locate the owner of the property; or

(iv) the acquisition of property to cure a concrete harmful effect of the current use of the land, including the removal of public nuisances and the removal of structures that are beyond repair or that are unfit for human habitation or use.

The public benefits of economic development, including an increase in tax base, tax revenues, employment, or general economic health, shall not constitute a "public use".

Section 3. Prohibiting Eminent Domain for Private Business

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Municipal Council shall not use eminent domain authority to take private property for private commercial enterprise, except that:

(a) eminent domain may be used to take abandoned property, where the Town has made diligent efforts to locate the owner of the property;

(b) eminent domain may be used to eliminate a substantial threat to public health or safety, including the removal of public nuisances and the removal of structures that are beyond repair or that are unfit for human habitation or use;

(c) portions of a property which has been taken by eminent domain for public use may be leased to private entities, provided that the private use is incidental to the primary public use; and

(d) property may be taken by eminent domain for the benefit of private commercial enterprise, with the willing and informed consent of the current owner(s) of the property.

Section 4. Prohibiting use of eminent domain for economic development; "economic development" defined.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Municipal Council shall not use eminent domain authority to take private property for economic development purposes without the willing and informed consent of the current owner(s) of the property.

Definition of "economic development": the term "economic development" means any activity to increase tax revenue, tax base, employment, housing or general economic health; provided, however, that any of the following activities shall not constitute economic development:

(i) the transfer of land to public ownership or to the ownership of a public utility; or

(ii) the transfer of property to a private entity when eminent domain will remove a threat to public health or safety, such as the removal of public nuisances or the removal of structures that are beyond repair or the removal of structures that are unfit for human habitation or use; or

(iii) the acquisition of abandoned property, where the Town has made diligent efforts to locate the owner of the property; or

(iv) the lease to a private entity of portions of a property which has been taken by eminent domain, provided that the private use is incidental to the primary public use and further provided that any such lease may be entered into only if approved by a 2/3 vote of the entire Amesbury Municipal Council and if such measure is also approved by the Mayor.

Councilor Iacobucci moved the ordinance Committee recommendation for approval as submitted.
Roll Call Vote – 7-Yes, 1-No, King

At the meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on June 19, 2007, in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

2007-028 Amend original 2007-028 "An Order to Provide for Salary Increases"

At the meeting of the Amesbury Municipal Council held on June 19, 2007, in the Town Hall Auditorium the following action was taken:

Councilor Lavoie's Amendment to Bill No. 2007-028 entitled "An Order to Provide for Salary Increases" Bill No. 2007-028 as originally sponsored by Councilor Lavoie and filed with the Amesbury Town Clerk on March 9, 2007 is hereby amended by deleting the title and Section 1, Section 2 and Section 3 in their entirety and replacing the same with the following:

An Ordinance to establish an increased Annual Salary for the Mayor. Be it ordained by the Municipal Council assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: SECTION 1: This Section is adopted pursuant to Section 2-1 (c) of the 1996 Amesbury Home Rule Charter.

SECTION 2: Until modified by a subsequent ordinance, the annual salary for the Mayor shall be increased to \$75,000.00.

SECTION 3: This Ordinance shall be effective upon the commencement in 2008 of the next term of office of the Mayor.

Councilor Lavoie moved for adoption as amended. ROLL CALL – NOT VOTED 4-YES, 5-NO, Lindstrom, McClure, Thone, Iacobucci, Lawrence

2007-069 SPONSORED BY: Robert W. Lavoie Councilor: District 4

An Ordinance to Establish an Annual Expense Allowance for Members of the Municipal Council Be it ordained by the Municipal Council assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: SECTION 1: This Section is adopted pursuant to Section 3-11 of the 1996 Amesbury Home Rule Charter.

SECTION 2: In addition to the Salary currently paid to the members of the Municipal Council, each member shall additionally receive an annual expense allowance of \$1200.00, payable at the rate of \$100 per month. This Expense Allowance is in recognition of the out of pocket expenses previously absorbed by members of the Municipal Council in carrying out their responsibilities as members of the Municipal Council (such as for use of the members' personal telephone and computers for email communications and printing, as well as the cost of paper for such printing and other miscellaneous costs incurred by members of the Municipal Council in carrying out their said responsibilities). No request, paperwork or receipts shall be required to be submitted, as this is intended to be a true Allowance towards expenses which are reasonably believed by the Municipal Council to exceed \$1,200.00 per year.

SECTION 3: This \$1200.00 Annual Expense Allowance is in addition to the reimbursement of specific expenses (such as for mileage, overnight accommodations for participation in the Massachusetts Municipal Association, and other out of pocket expenses heretofore traditionally reimbursed to members of the Municipal Council upon submission through the Town Clerk's office of such backup and substantiation of the expense as may be required from time to time by the Amesbury Chief Financial Officers' policies and regulations regarding reimbursement of expenses to Municipal Employees). This \$1200 Annual Expense Allowance shall not disqualify any member of the Municipal Council from being entitled to receive normal reimbursement of such out of pocket expenses as described in this Section.

SECTION 4: This Ordinance shall be effective upon the commencement of the terms of office in 2008 of the next Municipal Council to be elected.

SECTION 5: This Ordinance shall remain in operation until modified by a subsequent Ordinance.
 Councilor Lavoie moved to approve as submitted. ROLL CALL – NOT VOTED 2-YES, 7-NO

2007-001 To Vote to Adopt an Operating Budget for FY 2008

Be it Ordered by the Municipal Council of the Town of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: that the Operating Budget for the Fiscal Year 2008 be approved as follows:

Municipal Council		\$ 70,455
Mayor	Personal Services	153,828
	Expenses	18,965
		172,793
Reserve Funds		50,000
Administration & Finance		276,910
Assessor		262,034
Collector/Treasurer		194,480
Legal Services		100,500
Mgmt Information Systems		238,345
Central Supply		68,960
Town Clerk		150,028
Elections		33,031
Liquor Commission		1,000
Conservation Commission		30,500
Community & Economic Development		300,000
Planning Board		15,000
Board of Appeals		7,600
Municipal Buildings		121,320
Animal Control		36,616
Police Department		3,314,263
Fire Department		2,648,262
Inspections		261,156
Weights & Measures		4,500
Emergency Management		22,792
Harbormaster		7,500
Department of Public Works		1,258,397
Engineering		137,131
Snow & Ice		128,000
Outdoor Lighting		170,000
Refuse/Recycling		839,220
Health Department		63,865
Council on Aging		128,200
Veterans Services		124,099
Library		552,030
Youth		180,000
Debt Services		2,332,171
Other Assessments		651,861
Employee Benefits		4,439,484
Insurance Expense		358,300
School		<u>24,200,719</u>
For a total appropriation of:	\$	43,951,522
That to fund said appropriation, the Municipal Council approves \$ 43,397,222 to be raised by taxation and other revenue sources and further that \$ 554,300 be applied from the sources detailed below:		
SOURCE	AMOUNT	
Sale of Cemetery Lots	\$	11,800
Ambulance Receipts		400,000

Youth Revolving 130,000

Cemetery Interest 12,500

Further voted that the Municipal Council approves the following enterprise fund budgets:

Landry Stadium \$ 6,500

Sewer Department \$ 2,627,303

Water Department \$ 2,663,555

Therefore, the Municipal Council hereby appropriates the following:

TOTAL APPROPRIATION \$ 49,248,880

Councilor McClure moved the Finance Committee Recommendation for all unquestioned departments.

ROLL CALL VOTED – Unanimous. Mayor’s Budget Part 1 was questioned by Councilor Benson.

Councilor Benson moved the Mayor’s proposed budget. NOT VOTED 4-Yes, 5-No. Councilor

Iacobucci moved the Finance Committee recommendation of the Mayor’s budget. ROLL CALL VOTED

7-YES, 2-NO Other Assessments was questioned by Councilor McClure. Councilor McClure moved

the minimum appropriation for Whittier Vocational School \$626,670 for a total of \$651,861 for Other

Assessments. ROLL CALL VOTED – UNANIMOUS

The School Committee was questioned by Councilor Pinerio. Councilor Iacobucci moved the Finance

Committee recommendation. Councilor Pinerio moved to amend the motion to appropriate

\$24,152,719. Amendment - ROLL CALL - NOT VOTED 1-Yes, 8-No.

Finance Committee Recommendation – ROLL CALL VOTED – UNANIMOUS

Councilor Iacobucci moved to adopt \$49,248,880 the approved Operating Budget for FY 2008.

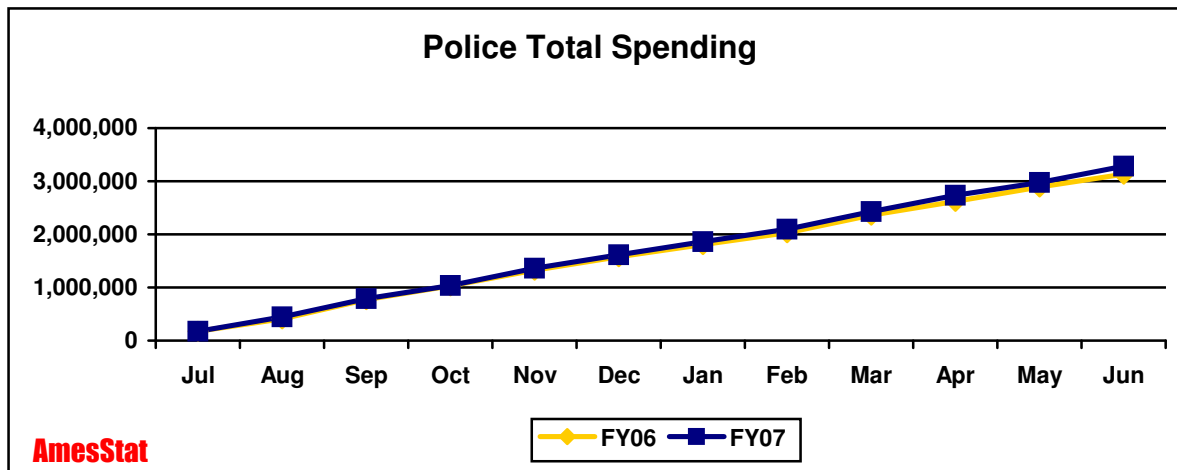
ROLL CALL VOTE – UNANIMOUS (9 members)

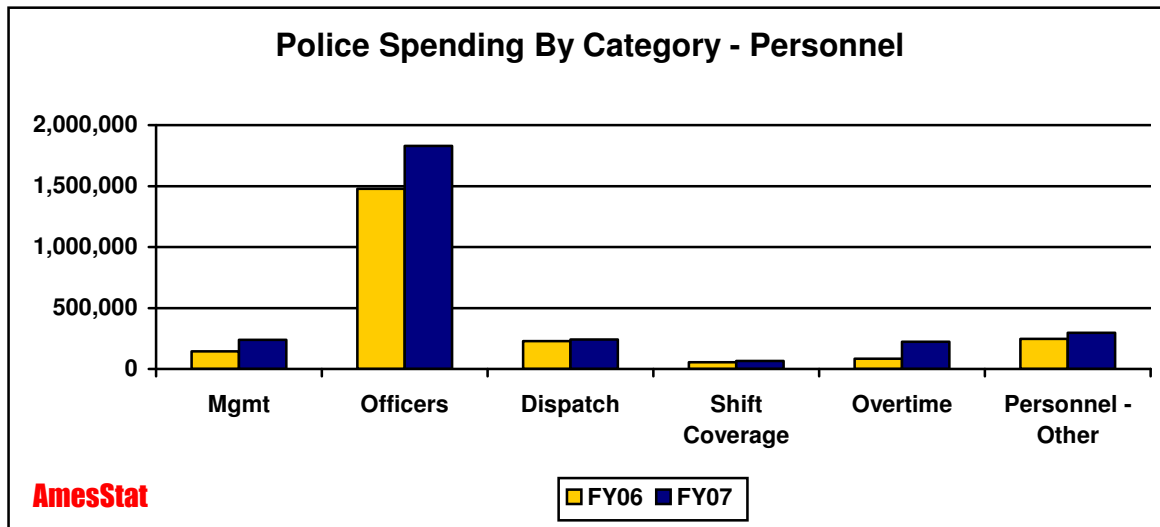
POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Police Department's mission is to maintain and enhance public safety with a commitment to the protection of life and property, the preservation of peace and the protection of individual rights and liberties. They work in a cooperative effort to assure a secure community by reducing the fear of crime and promoting new and innovative programs for the welfare and safety of all who live, work and visit the city.

The Police Department is organized into two divisions; Operations and Administration/Services. The Operations portion of the department consists of the Uniformed Patrol, Criminal Investigations, Communications and Special Operations. Uniform Patrol has the majority of sworn personnel and provides daily patrol, traffic, community policing, juvenile services, motorcycle and bicycle coverage and court prosecution. Criminal Investigations (Detectives) provide follow-up investigations, evidence collection and preservation, fire/arson investigation, sexual assault/domestic violence investigation, crime scene services, photography and victim/witness services. Special Operations include property and evidence control, accident reconstruction, K-9, Marine and SWAT operations. Communications is staffed by civilian personnel and handle all calls including 911 emergencies. Communications also handles all first-line record keeping, CAD (computer aided dispatch), prisoner monitoring and walk-in traffic.

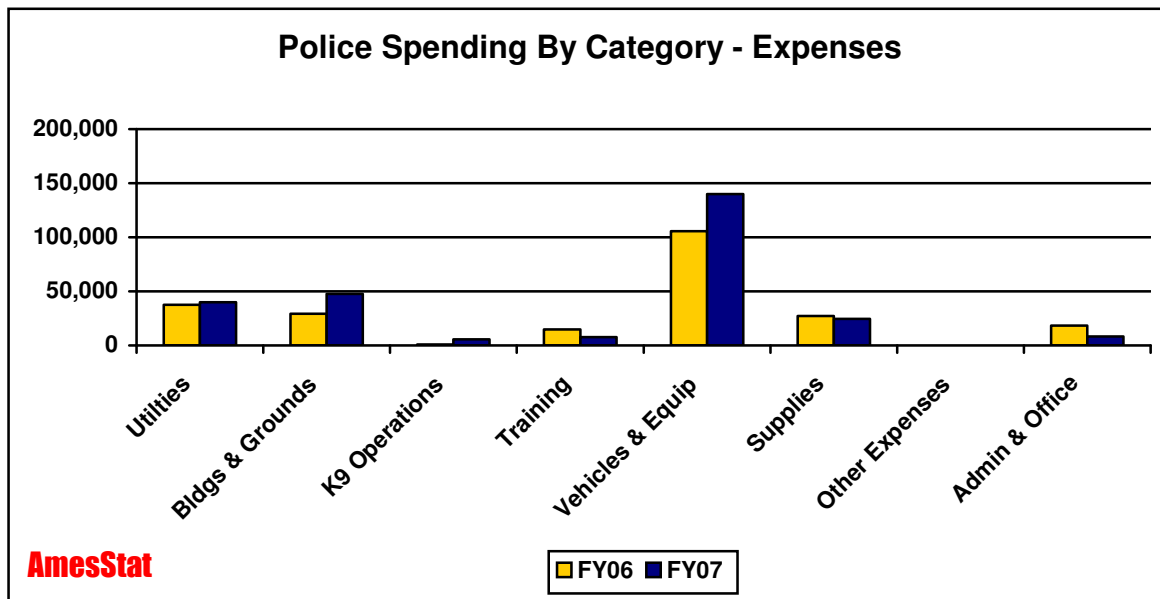
Administration/Services consist of department administration, planning and research, training, accreditation and crime analysis. Further, Administration handles professional standards compliance, MIS, Records, Finance, Department Property and the permits for firearms, hawkers, peddlers and taxi.





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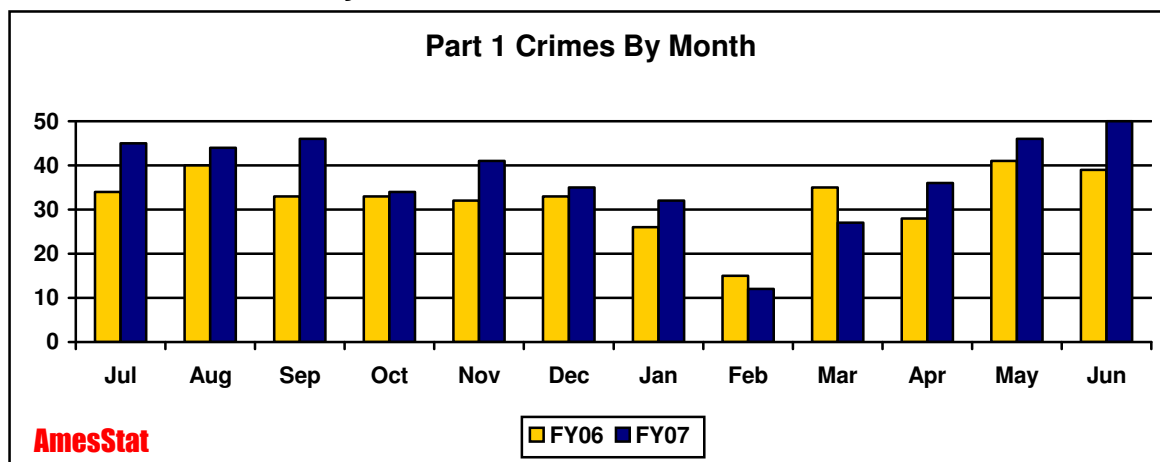
1. Increase in Officers due to contracted salary increase. Contract ends in FY08.



Notes:

1. Buildings and Grounds increase due to installation of new 911center including an additional panel for Fire Department and discovery of water infiltration into center.
2. Vehicles & Equipment increase due to changes in fleet management. Additional costs were incurred to repair damaged vehicles and address longer than expected wear and tear.

Part 1 Crimes Summary



Notes:

1. Part 1 Crimes include rape, robbery, assault, burglary and larceny and motor vehicle theft.

Activity Detail

	FY06	FY07
Total Calls for Service	23,859	26,372
Traffic Stops	7,947	7,364
Motor Vehicle Accidents	506	462
Arrests	1,207	1,243

Part 1 Crimes

Classification	FY06		FY07	
	Reported	Value	Reported	Value
Murder	0		0	
Forcible Rape	23		13	
Agg. Assault	54		48	
Breaking/Entering	40	\$ 16,195	59	\$ 21,260
Larceny/Theft	207	\$ 130,434	251	\$ 137,660
Motor Vehicle Theft	13	\$ 44,900	21	\$ 114,400
Arson	2	\$ 800	2	\$ 4,514
Robbery	9	\$ 170	6	\$ 18,991
Total	348	\$ 192,499	400	\$ 296,825

Motor Vehicles

Type	FY06	FY07
Stolen Locally & Recovered Locally	1	-
Stolen Locally & Recovered by Other Jurisdiction	2	-
Stolen Locally & Not Recovered	10	4
Total	13	4

Nature of Larcenies

Type	FY06		FY07	
	Reported	Value	Reported	Value
Shop Lifting	5	\$ 110	11	\$ 1,273
From Motor Vehicles	21	\$ 796	22	\$ 820
Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories	0	\$ -	0	\$ -
From Buildings	45	\$ 31,843	62	\$ 36,920
Bicycles	11	\$ 2,729	11	\$ 5,874
All Others	106	\$ 94,676	0	\$ -
Total	188	\$ 130,154	106	\$ 44,887

Property Stolen/Recovered by Type & Value

Type	FY06		FY07	
	Stolen	Recovered	Stolen	Recovered
Automobiles	44,900	-	114,400	27,500
Clothing/Furs	265	-	1,096	10
Consumable Goods	361	-	219	46
Currency/Notes/Etc	56,965	2,636	92,427	1,753
Firearms	-	-	1,100	250
Household Goods	120	20	2,008	-
Jewelry/Precious Metals	10,889	9,000	79,329	-
Misc	73,569	3,785		-
Office/Computer Equip	-	-	100	-
Video/Audio Equip	4,580	-	11,770	-
Total	\$ 191,649	\$ 15,441	\$ 302,449	\$ 29,559

Traffic Citations

Type	FY06	FY07
Verbal Warnings	3,192	3,438
Written Warnings	1,908	2,037
Civil Citations	2,159	1,263
Criminal Complaints	371	341
Arrests	317	285
Total	7,947	7,364

Police Service Calls

Type	FY06	FY07
Mutual Aid/Assist of PD	148	206
Prisoner Transport	169	175
Animal Complaints	230	299
Assist Citizen	538	423
Building Checks	2,011	2,222
Burglar Alarms	590	556
Missing Persons	96	67
Officer Wanted	1,315	1,389
Suspicious Activity	823	757
Noise Complaints	103	84
Follow-Up Investigation	377	462
Total	6,400	6,640

Case Activity Statistics – Offenses Investigated

Type	FY06	FY07
Simple Assault	117	133
Intimidation	52	58
Theft from Building	45	62
Theft from Motor Vehicle	21	22
Shoplifting	6	11
All Other Larceny	135	167
Fights/Disturbances	421	558
Domestic Violence	309	362
911 Misuse	388	403
Drug/Narcotic Violations	115	116
Weapon Law Violations	16	15
Disorderly Conduct	96	141
Drunk Driving	139	141
Intoxicated Person (Other)	122	157
Liquor Law Violations	77	83
Counterfeiting/Forgery	32	24
Embezzlement	37	37
Credit Card Theft	16	20
Identity Theft	16	-
Vandalism	164	176
Town By-Law Violations	1,180	1,060
Abandoned Motor Vehicle	54	28
Disabled Motor Vehicle	322	314
Parking Complaints (Civilian)	731	522
Total	4,611	4,610

Firearms Licensing

	FY06	FY07
Applications	153	202
Class A	118	170
Class B	5	8
Class C	17	14
Class D	13	7
Class E	-	2
Dealer	-	1
Denied	6	-
Suspended	1	3
Revoked	4	3

Weapons Involved in Offenses

Type	FY06	FY07
Handgun	2	6
Shotgun	8	-
Automatic Firearm	1	1
Other Firearm	1	2
Knife/Cutting Instrument	13	7
Blunt Object	9	14
Motor Vehicle	2	3
Narcotics/Poison	27	23
Personal Weapons (hand/feet/etc)	129	146
Total	192	202

Law Enforcement Officers Assaulted

Type of Call	FY06	FY07
Assaulted	37	31

The Amesbury Police Department is fully accredited by the Massachusetts Police Accreditation Commission and has held this high distinction for six years.

The Amesbury Police Department is staffed by 31 full-time sworn police officers, 2 reserve police officers, 1 court prosecutor, 1 civilian administrative assistant, 4.5 civilian communications/911 signal operators and 1 half-time licensing and permit person.

The full-time officers include 1 Police Chief, 1 Lieutenant who serves as Executive Officer (management) 7 Sergeants (6 shift commanders and 1 commander of the criminal investigations section) and 22 Officers.

The police department answered 26,372 calls for service during FY07. This represents a 10.5% increase over the FY06 volume. There were 400 total Part I crimes in Amesbury, an increase of 14.9% over the previous year. However, serious crimes against persons in Part I decreased by 22% while crimes against property increased by 27%.

Domestic Violence cases continue to be an issue in Amesbury. Domestic Violence was up 17% to 362 cases. Domestic Violence arrests were up 48% to 123 cases.

There were 202 cases involving the use of various weapons including firearms, knives, blunt objects, motor vehicle and personal weapons. 31 Amesbury Police Officers were assaulted in FY07, down from 37 in FY06. However, there were no serious injuries to officers assaulted and no related injury leave. In FY06 injury leave cost the city \$96,000. The primary difference between the two years was the deployment of the Taser in FY07. This device reduced assaults on police, greatly reduced injury to police officers and produced the desired affect of cost reduction due to injury.

The police department started to implement Mayor Thatcher Kezer's AmesStat program in FY07 and expects to rely on the statistics produced to help develop future budget projections using a program budget approach.

Finally, the police department faced a budget issue due to an error during deliberations at the beginning of FY 2007. Mayor Kezer and his staff as well as the members of the Finance Committee and Municipal Council worked together with the Police Department to solve the budget issue.

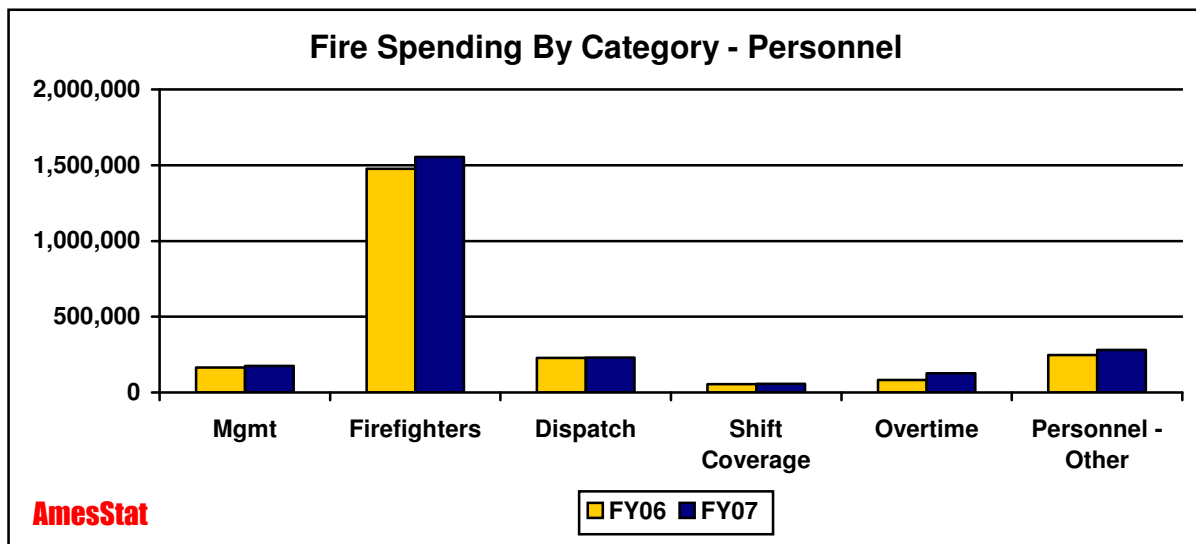
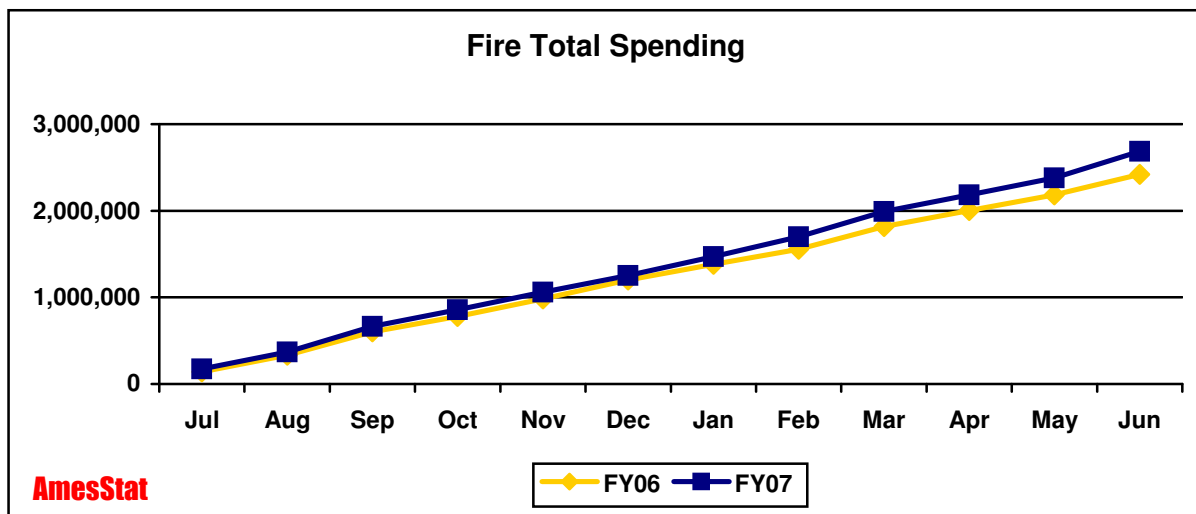
The community is grateful to all of the dedicated men and women in the Amesbury Police Department for their fine work during the year.

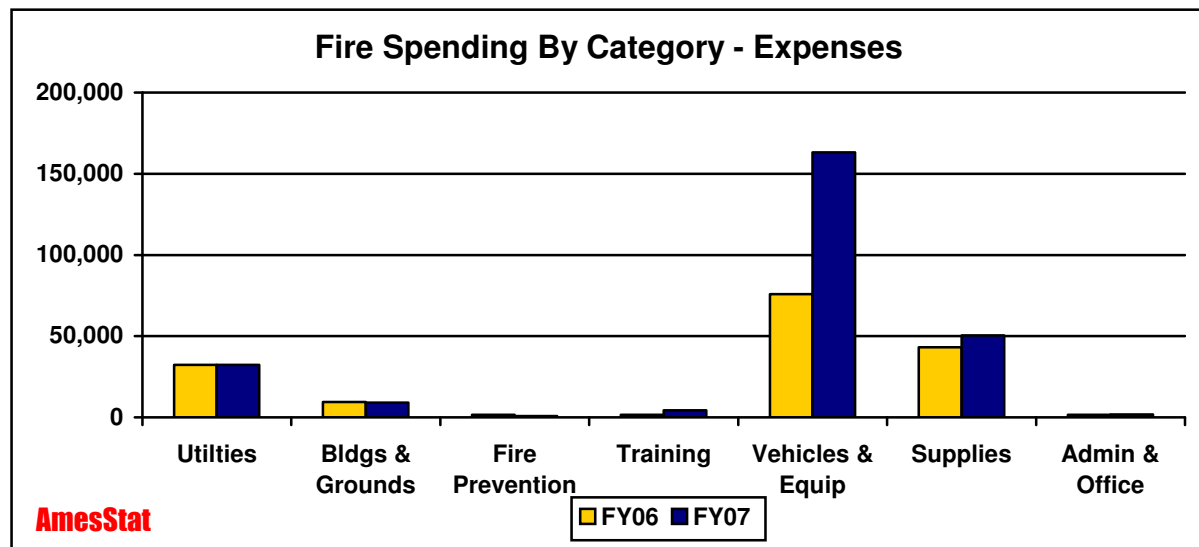
FIRE DIVISION

The Amesbury Fire Department consists of fire prevention and suppression, emergency medical services, and emergency management.

The Amesbury Fire Department's mission is to serve and protect the community, continuously evaluating and improving the quality of fire suppression service, continuously reducing the actual number and severity of fire incidents through a strong commitment to fire prevention, enhancing the health of the community through the provision of highly responsive and effective emergency medical services and protecting the community through monitoring and response to emergency incidents natural or man made.

Fire Division Total Spending (Including Fire & Emergency Management)





Notes:

1. Vehicles & Equipment increase due to repair of vehicles for damage and wear and tear.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Incidents	FY07
Fire/Explosion	43
Rescue Call	1,333
Hazardous Condition	43
Service Call	137
Good Intent Call	94
Severe Weather/Natural Disaster	0
False Calls	152
Other	0
Total	1,802

Detectors	FY06	FY07
Not Reported	3,235	1,707
Detector Alerted Occupants	10	11
Detector Did NOT Alert Occupants	1	1
Unknown	198	83
Total	3,444	1,802

Hazmat Releases	FY06	FY07
Not Reported	1,716	862
Natural Gas	8	3
Propane Gas	3	1
Gasoline	1	2
None	1,716	934
Total	3,444	1,802

Multiple Calls

Double Calls	FY07
Two Fire	31
Three Fire	5
Four or More Fire	1
Two Medical	151
Three Medical	16
Four or More Medical	7
Fire & Medical At Same Time	120
Two or More Fire & Two or More Medical	17

The community is grateful to all of the dedicated men and women in the Amesbury Fire Department for their fine work during the year.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

At the end of this year, Richard Clark, the long-time Director of Emergency Management retired from service in Amesbury. Over the 24 years he served as Director, he was integral to the evolution of programs including: Emergency planning for the Seabrook Power Plant, Hazardous Materials planning, improvements to Homeland Security, major changes in the communications systems in place in Amesbury for all public safety, as well as, successful coordination of many large disasters that have struck the community. With the help of other departments, numerous individuals who served the department, and assistance from other communities and the State Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Management has always had a successful conclusion to these unfortunate happenings.

Much work lies ahead as the department continues working to complete mandated requirements for all communities to become compliant with the National Incident Management System (NIMS). All related training for individual disciplines of local government require training to be completed for different levels on a yearly basis with a completion date in 2009. Donald Swenson, who was appointed to replace Richard on July 1st, 2007 continues to work with the State agency and other communities to provide these important classes for our public safety personnel.

The Emergency Management volunteers have responded to many calls for assistance during fires, snowstorms, and other public events. The dedication of these individuals takes many hours out of their family plans to complete necessary training and respond when needed for emergencies.

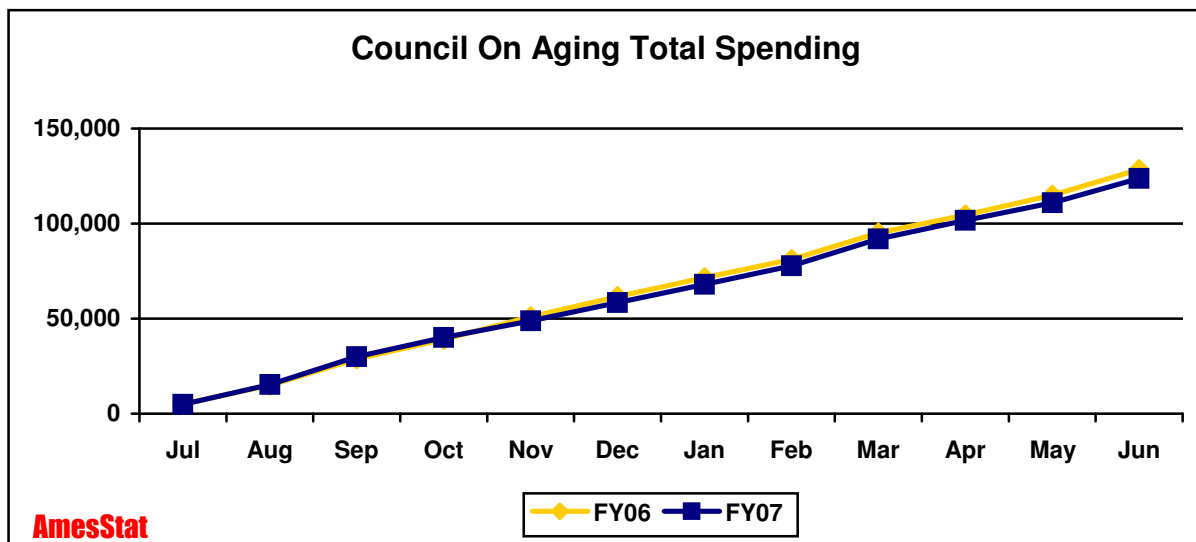
The community continues to be well protected for any emergency because of the dedication of our government leaders, public safety personnel, emergency management volunteers and many others that have continued to give of themselves to serve the community during times of emergency.

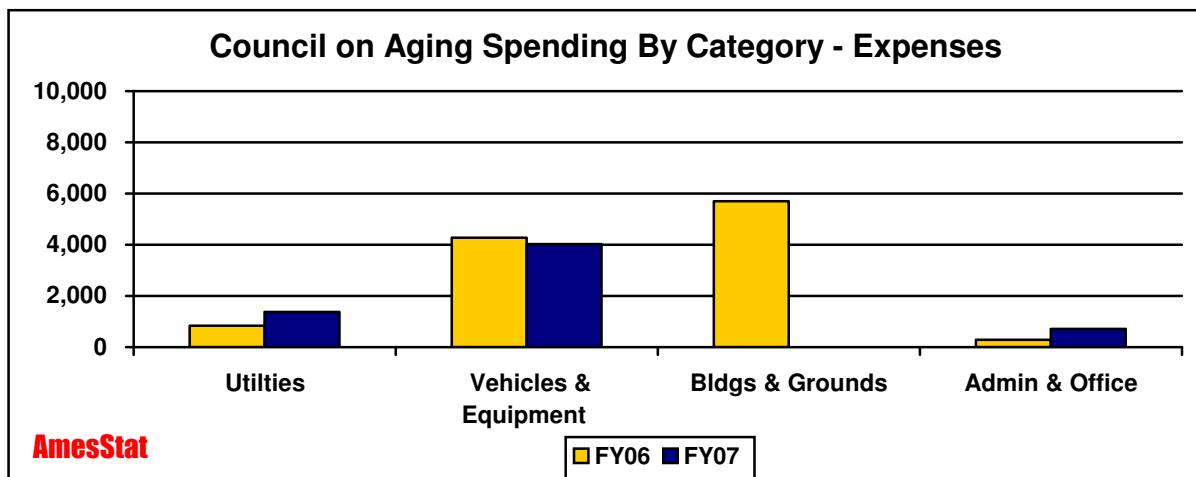
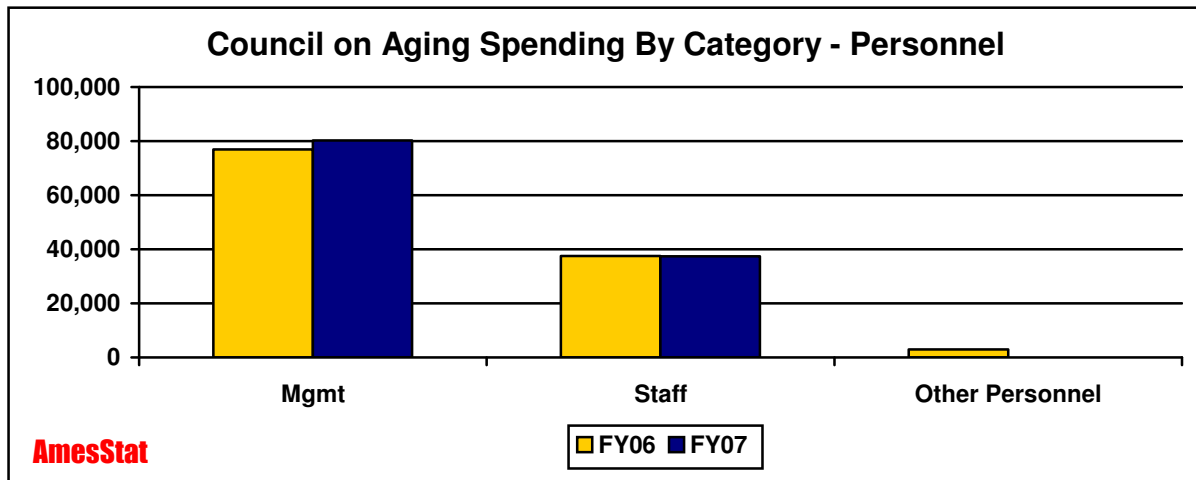
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

The Health & Human Services division was created by the Mayor in 2006 as a means to organize departments with similar human services goals and foster increased communication and collaboration among these departments. Health & Human Services consists of elder services, veteran services, youth services, health services, animal control, and the public library.

The mission of the Health & Human Services division is to ensure residents of the city have access to programs and services which encourage self sufficiency and offer opportunities to develop their full potential. Combat potential threats to the overall health of the community and promote the economic, physical and emotional well being in the city's neighborhoods. Collaborate with residents, non-government agencies and organizations, other city departments, local, state and federal agencies in developing appropriate programs and services for the residents of the city.

COUNCIL ON AGING





Notes:

1. Buildings and Grounds maintenance and repair was moved into Municipal Buildings budget in FY07.

The Amesbury Council on Aging provides social services, activities, transportation, educational programs and a social lunch program for Amesbury residents age 60 and over. Home delivered meals are available for frail elders, who are homebound. In addition, the department offers information, support and referrals to the adult children, friends and caregivers of elders.

This past year 7,783 people visited the Senior Center and attended a variety of activities, seminars and health and wellness programs. The Senior Center also handled 7,680 phone calls seeking or providing information. This was an opportunity to directly assist elders, families, long distance caregivers, and neighbors seeking information about services and programs for elders living in Amesbury. This service is a vital link for the community to access the elder care network.

The Department is committed to providing information enabling citizens to make decisions regarding their well being and quality of life. This past year, the Council on Aging organized, co-led or participated in a variety of programs that directly benefited our community.

Daily activities include social activities, recreational events, educational classes, health and wellness information, and assistance with problems, transportation to appointments, grocery shopping, organizing volunteer opportunities, meals on wheels and daily lunch at the Senior Center. Additional programs include:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Bowling	Bingo	Computer Class	Basket weaving	Hearing Clinic
Computer Class	Crime Prevention Prog	Exercise Class	Bridge	Monthly Breakfast
Monthly Dinner	Knitting	Health Clinic	Monthly Dinner	Oil Painting
Podiatry Clinic	Mayor	SHINE	Watercolor painting	

Advocacy services available through the Senior Center include: Serving the Health Information Needs of Elders (SHINE), which assists people with Medicare and related health insurance questions. The SHINE Counselor explains plans such as Masshealth, Prescription Advantage, and Social Security Extra. The SHINE Counselor is available to meet with people as needed to assist with insurance questions. This past year, the SHINE counselor assisted 83 people with Medicare and related health insurance questions. The increase is attributed to the new Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Plan which seniors were required to sign-up between January 1, 2005 – May 15, 2006. The department also has access to legal services which are provided on an as needed basis by the Elder Unit of Merrimack Valley Legal Services, Inc.

Annually two volunteers at the Senior Center provide free tax preparation in conjunction with the Association for the Advancement of Retired People (AARP) and the Internal Revenue Service. These volunteers prepare Federal and Massachusetts tax returns. This past year 143 people had their taxes prepared at the Senior Center. This is a valuable service for seniors offered between February 1, 2006 and April 17, 2006, this past year. The Senior Center staff and volunteers continue their commitment to educate seniors about the senior “Circuit Breaker” Tax Credit that was implemented in January 2001. Certain senior citizens in Massachusetts are eligible to claim a refundable credit on their state income taxes for the real estate taxes paid on the Massachusetts residential property they own or rent and which they occupy as their principal residence.

Examples of the educational seminars and programs held at the Senior Center are:

- How to minimize your risk from becoming diabetic.
- Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority gave a presentation explaining about EZ Trans – curb to curb service for Amesbury residents who cannot use the MVRTA fixed bus route system.
- Prescription Advantage Open Enrollment presentation.
- What is the Homestead Act presentation by the Salem Registry of Deeds.
- Tai Chi demonstration by Paul Mahoney from the Movement Center.
- Capital Gains Tax issues related to selling your personal residences.
- The Silent Killer – Carbon monoxide by Deputy Fire Chief Brickett.
- Arthritis in your hands and how to manage it.

- What do you need to be prepared for a power outage by Fire Chief Shute.
- Cervical Cancer screening saves lives.
- Circuit Breaker Tax Credit presentation.
- Healthy Aging seminar – making healthy choices for life.
- Pulmonary Rehabilitation presentation by Dr. Liguori from Whittier Rehab.
- Macular Degeneration presentation.
- Stroke Prevention seminar by Terry Arsenault, Amesbury Public Health Nurse.

Educational programs offered by the Amesbury Senior Center:

- Basket weaving is held weekly at the Senior Center.
- Computer Classes: Introduction to Basic Computers, Advanced Computer Classes and Internet Essentials. These classes are taught by volunteers.
- “Coffee and Donuts with the Amesbury Cops” is facilitated by Officer Tom Hanshaw. This program is held monthly and the topics vary.
- Monthly breakfast with a guest speaker discussing various health issues. This free event is hosted by Maplewood Harborside Healthcare.
- Monthly dinner with a guest speaker discussing various wellness topics. This free event is hosted by Maplewood Harborside Healthcare.
- Monthly dinner at Anna Jaques Hospital in the private dining room. Following dinner a guest speaker from the Hospital discusses various health topics.
- Oil painting classes are held at the Senior Center throughout the year.
- Watercolor painting is held weekly at the Senior Center

The Book Nook continues to be a popular program at the Senior Center. The selection of books changes every few weeks and seniors have the opportunity to request specific books. A collection of large print books are available for seniors to borrow. This program is popular and 93 books have been checked out at the Senior Center this past year. This past year this program was suspended for three months related to staffing changes at the Library.

The Department organized, or participated in a variety of special events that directly benefited our community including: the Amesbury Playhouse (16 plays 1,197 participants); Annual Holiday Fair & Bake Sale; Annual Holiday Party (330 participants); Annual Summer Cookout (160 participants); and Monthly Birthday Parties (256 participants).

The daily Nutrition program is provided through cooperation with Merrimack Valley Nutrition Project. The Nutrition Program at the Senior Center is overseen by the Site Manager five days a week. We have 5 Meal-site volunteers who help to package the meals on wheels. The Senior Center served 2,719 meals for lunch. Socialization is also an important component of this program.

The Site Manager also coordinated the Meals on Wheels program and supervised 3 volunteer drivers, who delivered a hot noon time meal to participant’s homes. A total of 12,075 meals were delivered this past year to Amesbury and Merrimac individuals. The Meals on Wheels program served Amesbury participants a total of 9,057 meals this past fiscal year. The Meals on Wheels program served Merrimac participants a total of 3,018 meals this past fiscal year. The roster of participants changes as people become well enough to prepare their own meals or move to other levels of care, where meal preparation is provided. Meal delivery includes a

regular or modified meal. The modified meal is reduced in sodium, fat and sugar. Frozen meals for weekends are available for those who need them.

The Amesbury Council on Aging working in collaboration with the Merrimac Council on Aging and Amesbury Housing Authority, utilize the Nutrition Program at the Amesbury Senior Center. The Amesbury Site Manager coordinates the Meals on Wheels for the Merrimac Council on Aging and this program. The Amesbury Housing Authority at Heritage Tower offers supportive housing and a meal site at noon.

Month	Amesbury Meal Site	Amesbury & Merrimac Meals on Wheels
Jul	191	818
Aug	266	1096
Sep	229	965
Oct	240	1017
Nov	216	1142
Dec	230	1058
Jan	240	1018
Feb	178	908
Mar	243	1071
Apr	250	995
May	234	1,054
Jun	202	933
TOTAL	2,719	12,075

The addition of the Outreach Worker to the Council on Aging staff has been a position welcomed by the community. Seniors and their family members contact the Outreach Worker to discuss what services are available, to make referrals for services, to assist seniors with applications for state and federal benefits. As one component of the outreach program, the Outreach Worker coordinates transportation for the Taxi Program, N.E.E.T., and assists Amesbury residents with completing the Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority (MVRTA) applications. The screening process for the Council on Aging transportation programs is an important opportunity to determine if seniors are appropriate for the Council on Aging transportation programs, or require an additional level of service such as a medical escort. The screening process also allows for a discussion regarding other programs and services designed to support successful aging. A discussion of transportation options allow seniors to participate in the planning process and empower seniors to consider the choices and resources available for their continued wellbeing.

Since August 2007, the Council on Aging has assisted 31 seniors in applying for the MVRTA ADA Para transit eligibility, one senior in applying for EZ Trans and two non-seniors in applying for MVRTA ADA Para transit eligibility. Offers EZ Trans – curb to curb service for Amesbury individuals who cannot use the MVRTA fixed route bus system. Transportation is offered to the following communities: Andover, Amesbury, Haverhill, Lawrence, Merrimac, Methuen,

Newburyport and North Andover. EZ Trans also offers Non-ADA service to individuals who are over the age of 60.

Based on the 2000 Federal Census Amesbury has 2,538 seniors ages 60 and older, of which many live on a very limited income. Seniors face a tremendous burden if they can not afford to own and maintain a vehicle, or do not drive. Transportation options become very limited.

The Amesbury Council on Aging currently has one handicapped accessible van that can accommodate 8 passengers and one wheelchair passenger for a total of 9 passengers. This van operates 35 hours a week Monday – Friday and covers 73.49 road miles over 13.65 square miles of Amesbury. This vehicle transports seniors within Amesbury and in a rare situation to a surrounding Town. This is a limited resource and seniors are scheduled on a first come first serve basis. The van transportation provides a vital service for those who cannot access other means of transportation. Transportation was provided in the city to the following locations: bank (18 participants); barber/ hairdresser (336 participants); Church (4 participants); grocery shopping (193 participants); Low Vision Group (84 participants); meal site (759 participants); medical appointments (261 participants); nursing homes (42 participants); Our Neighbors' Table (199 participants); personal appointments (306 participants); pharmacy (21 participants); and the senior center (935 participants);. The van made 2,146 one way trips (sometimes stopping at more than one location and transported 103 seniors a total of 7,316 miles. The van also transported 3 wheelchair bound seniors 22 times. The van was used by 4 non-senior disabled adults 15 times in the past year.

The Amesbury Council on Aging Van does not meet the needs of seniors who have medical appointments and need to travel to Andover, Haverhill, Lawrence, Merrimac, Methuen, Newburyport and North Andover to name a few of the surrounding communities where medical facilities are located.

Amesbury has one free community meal a week on Wednesday evening from 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM located Our Neighbors' Table at the Main Street Congregational Church 145 Main Street. Our Neighbors' Table is a non-profit organization that was founded in 1991 by volunteers and it also operates a weekly food pantry every Wednesday evening and every Saturday morning, and twice a month for people who are income eligible they can participate in the United States Department of Agriculture surplus food program (USDA). Nutrition is an important part of good health and Our Neighbors' table is an important component to good health in the community. The Amesbury Council on Aging is supportive of Our Neighbors' Table and this past year 199 seniors from senior housing attended the free weekly dinner at Our Neighbors' Table.

To supplement van transportation to medical appointments outside of Amesbury the Council on Aging is a member of Northern Essex Elder Transport, Inc. This non-profit volunteer program serves seniors age 60 and older in fourteen communities of the Merrimack Valley including Amesbury. There is no cost for this service. However, donations are accepted to help off-set the cost of the mileage. This transportation program is offered to people as a last choice because they do not have family or friends who are available to take the elder to a medical appointment. The senior must be independent in walking to and from the volunteer's car. This program does not transport wheelchairs. This past year Amesbury had eleven volunteer drivers from Amesbury and they provided door-to-door transportation for the elderly to out of town medical appointments. A total of 44 seniors were escorted to 256 medical

appointments totaling 8,151 miles. This program provides a vital service for those who cannot access other means of transportation to medical appointment. Transportation was provided to the following: Lahey Beverly (3 medical appointments); Lahey Burlington (4 medical appointments); Lahey Peabody (22 medical appointments); Mass Eye & Ear (1 medical appointment); Mass General (11 medical appointments); and the Merrimack Valley area (214 medical appointments). The volunteer drivers donated 573 hours of their time to this important program.

Amesbury volunteers are an integral part of the Council on Aging as evidenced by the programs and services offered. The staff organizes volunteers who perform community services for the city's older population. At present the department has 97 volunteers who contributed 10,000 hours of volunteerism in a variety of areas. This includes Basket Weaving Instructor, Bingo Callers, Book Buddies, Computer Instructors, Council on Aging Board Members, Friendly Visitor's, Income Tax Preparers, Kitchen Helpers, knitters, Low Vision Support Group Leaders, Meals on Wheels Drivers, Newsletter Helpers, Northern Essex Elder Transport Drivers (NEET), Oil Painting Instructor, Pianist, Receptionists, Senior Center Expansion Committee Members, SHINE Counselor, Special Events Helpers, Substitute Van Driver, Telephone Reassurance Callers, Thrift Shop Helpers, Trip Planner and Water Color Painting Coordinator. The total value of volunteer hours is \$152,361 representing savings to the city. The variety of services offered by the Amesbury Council on Aging is only made possible by the tireless efforts of the volunteers.

The Friends of the Amesbury Council on Aging are dedicated to fundraising to provide supplemental support for equipment and programs, which would often otherwise not be possible within the municipal budget. The Friends continues to help pay for the monthly mailing of the newsletter to 1,442 households for a yearly total of 17,315 newsletters mailed this past fiscal year. This continues to provide an opportunity to increase awareness of available programs and services for Amesbury seniors. This past year the Friends mailed 877 birthday cards to Amesbury seniors to acknowledge their special day. This is in addition to our monthly birthday party at the Senior Center. In the past year, the main fundraisers have been the Flat Bread Fundraiser, Thrift Shoppe and the annual Holiday Fair. The Friends have been very supportive of the Senior Center and the results have directly benefited Amesbury seniors.

The Amesbury Council on Aging is very appreciative for the generosity of the many organizations that support and sponsor programs and events at the Amesbury Senior Center including; Adaptive Technology Consulting, Amesbury Lions Club, Amesbury Playhouse, Amesbury Police Officers' Association, Amesbury Village, Anna Jaques Hospital, Atria of Merrimack Place, Community Action, Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley, Maplewood Harborside Healthcare, Our Neighbors' Table, Starbucks, Tallman Eye Associates, Vermett's, Whittier Rehabilitation Hospital,

This past year the Amesbury Council on Aging experienced personnel changes with the hiring and resignation of Colleen Ranshaw-Fiorello as the Outreach Worker. The Council on Aging Board also experienced some changes with the resignation of, Jean Little-Bruce and Paula Pelletier. New appointments to the Council on Aging Board were Joanne Peatfield, Helen Sullivan and Diane Wigmore.

This program is operated by the Merrimack Valley Nutrition Project and the food is prepared by the Lawrence Vocational Technical School. The program has two part – time staff persons who run this program at the Amesbury Senior Center.

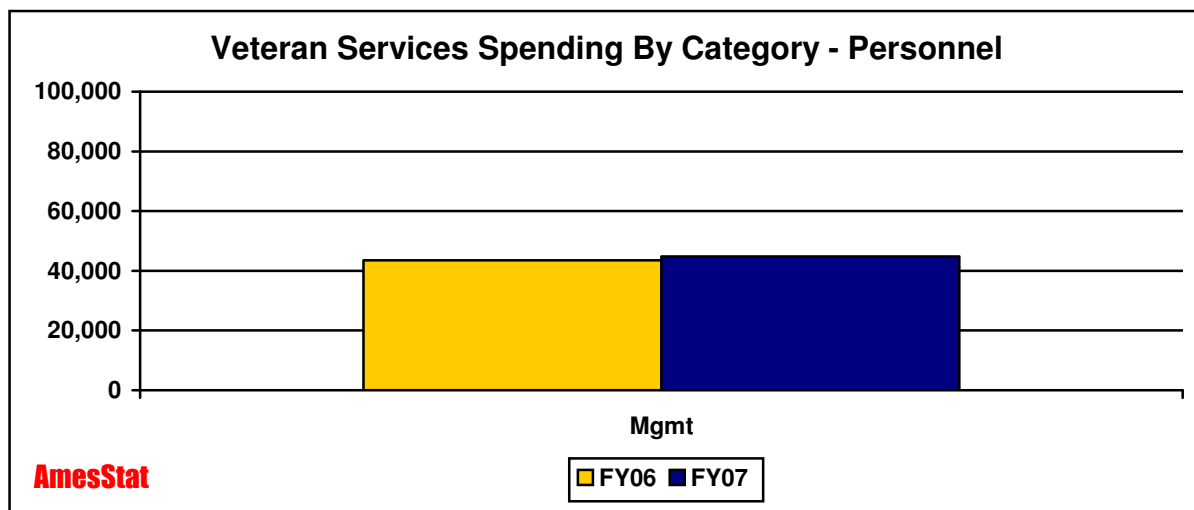
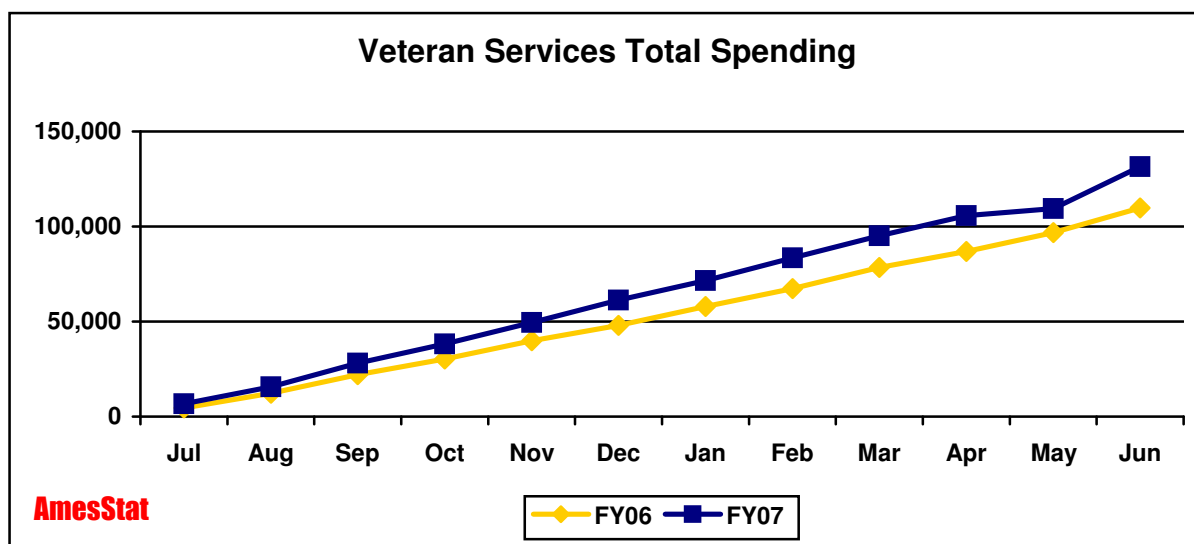
The site manager works 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM for a total of 17.5 hours a week.

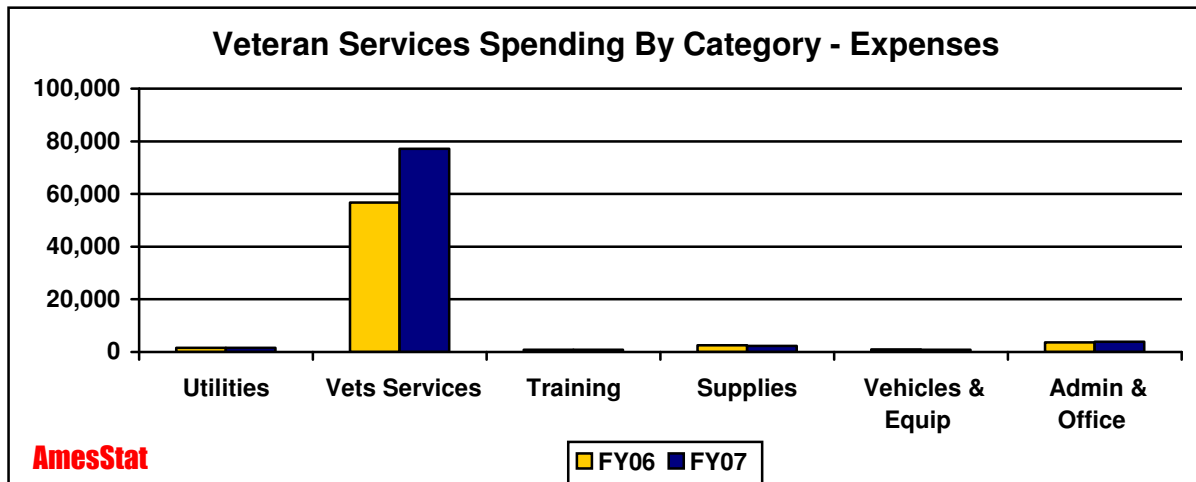
The site aide works 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM daily for a total of 10 hours a week.

These positions are paid from Merrimack Valley Nutrition Project which has the contact for this meal program and they receive some funding from Merrimack Valley Elder Services, Inc.

3 volunteers deliver the Meals on Wheels to Amesbury and Merrimac residents. This program operates Monday – Friday.

VETERAN SERVICES





Note:

1. Veterans Services increase due to increases in veterans energy assistance and veterans benefits.

The department assisted 15 veterans or family members this past year. Originally budgeted at \$58,300, an additional \$18,000 was needed to meet the needs for veterans' assistance. The 2007 Cheery Sheet indicates the Town of Amesbury will be reimbursed approximately \$42,453 from the Commonwealth and another \$39,362 will be returned to the city in veterans' real estate tax exemptions.

This department helped defray the cost and assisted in the burial of two veterans.

Amesbury American Legion Post 187 held the traditional Veterans Day Ceremony and Parade.

Over 300 students from the Amesbury School system assisted in decorating veterans' graves and memorials this year. Always a special thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Morse. VFW Post 2018 sponsored the Memorial Day Ceremony and Parade.

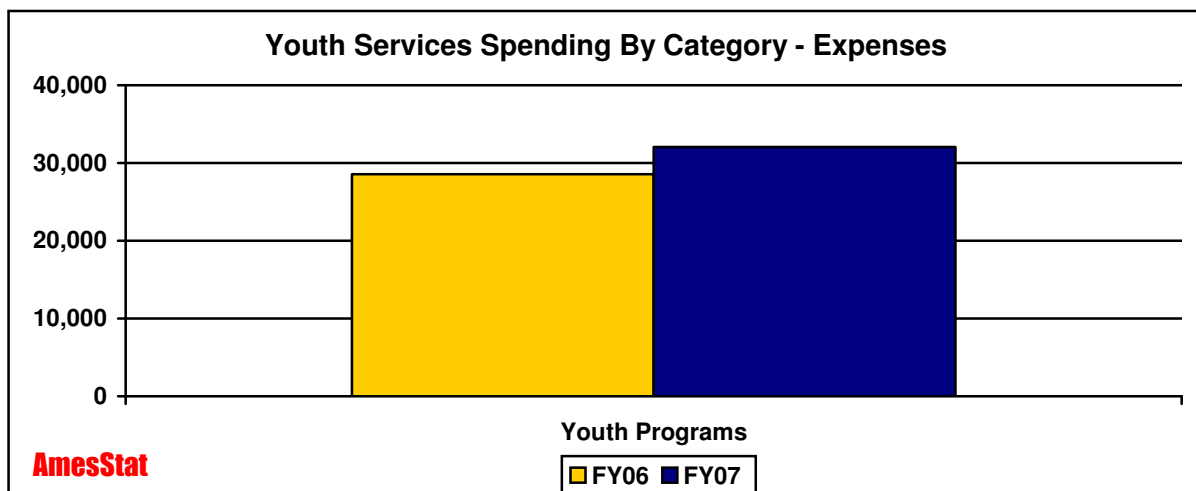
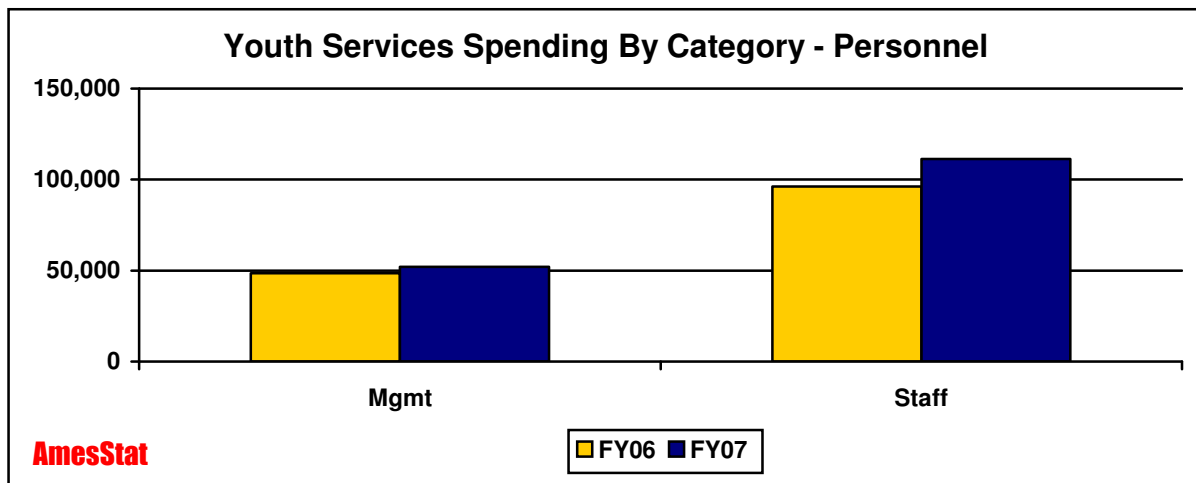
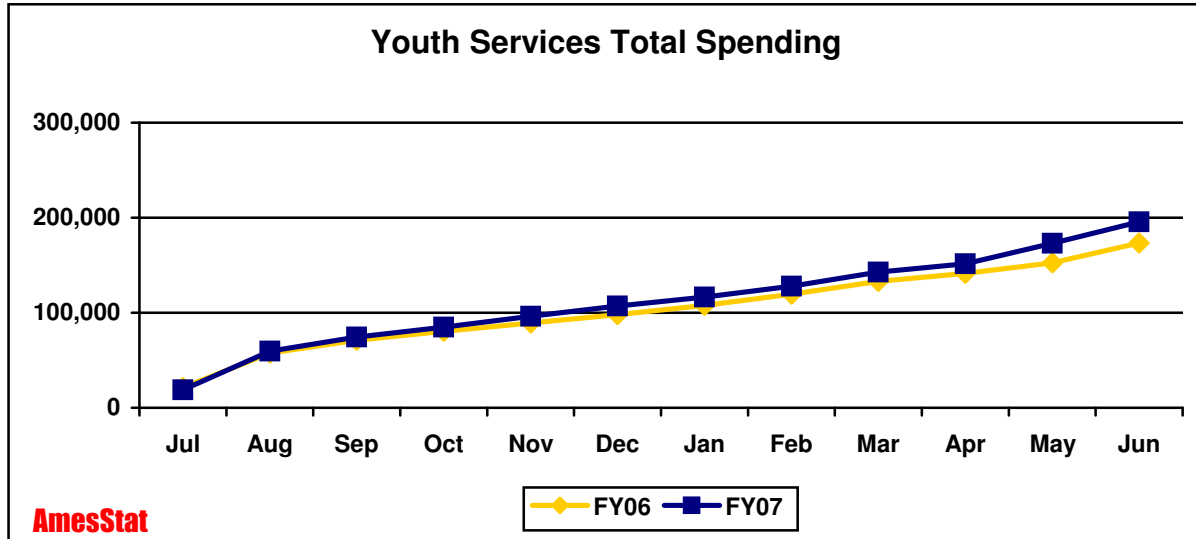
The department continues to assist and secure various VA benefits -- service connected and non-service connected -- disability compensations and pensions. In addition, the department assisted in securing and maintaining quality housing mandated by federal guidelines for elder and disabled veterans and their families.

According to the Department of Veterans Affairs, the approximate population of veterans in Amesbury is over 1,600. The total VA Compensation benefits delivered to Amesbury veterans is approximately \$1.85 million. Annuities to 100%-disabled veterans come to an additional \$13,500 from the Commonwealth Of Massachusetts.

The department assisted and secured various VA medical benefits for service and non-service connected veterans. These medical benefits included short and long-term medical treatments at the VA Clinic in Haverhill and VA Hospitals in the VISN (Veterans Integrated Service Network) area. Included are the \$8.00 co-payments for various drug prescriptions for all veterans.

The department continues to assist and refer veterans seeking benefits from Social Security.

YOUTH SERVICES



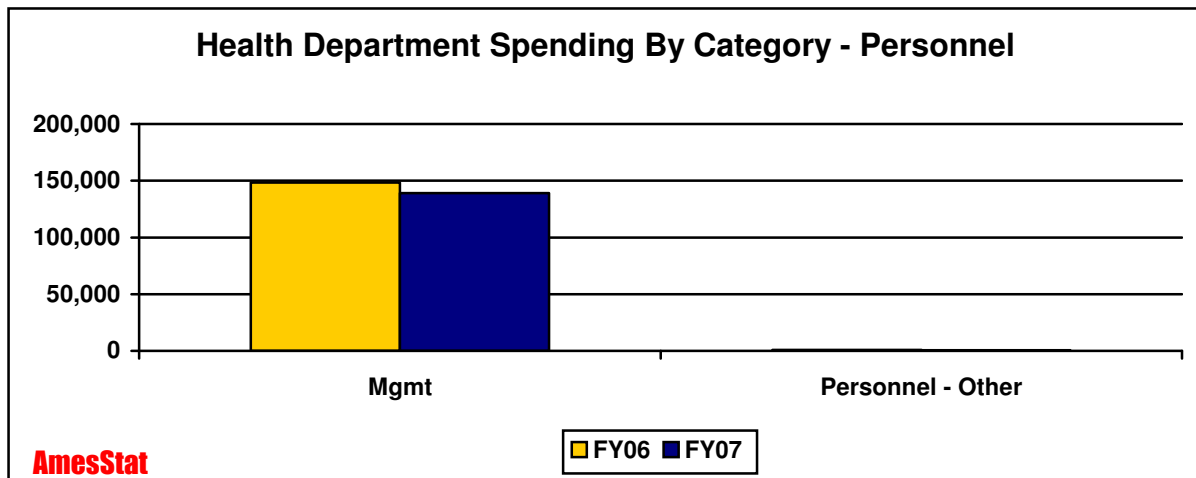
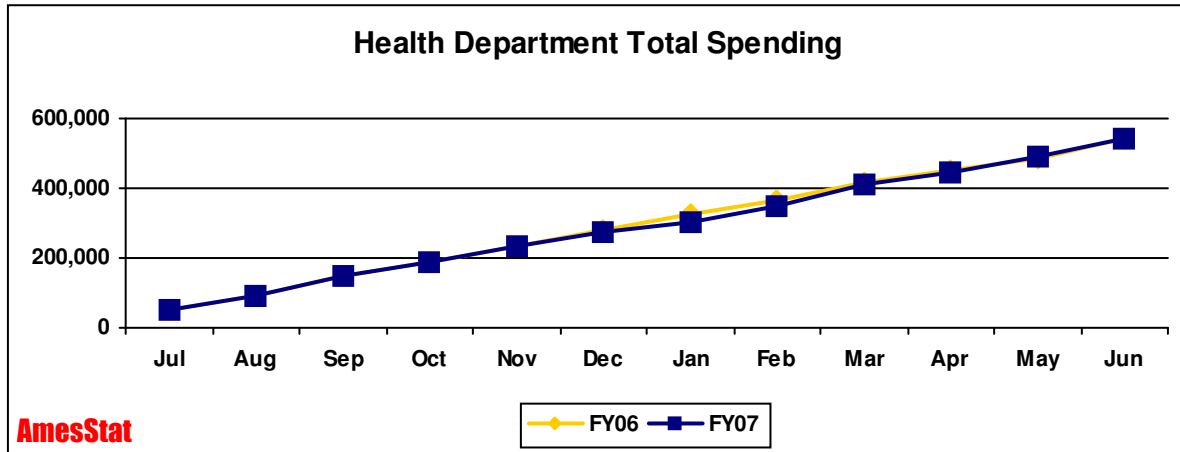
SCHOOL YEAR PROGRAMS	FY07
Elementary After School Programs	85
Middle School After School Program	24
Middle School Theater Arts Program	12
Middle School Nature Program	
Middle School Community Youth Video Program	
SCHOOL YEAR TOTALS	121

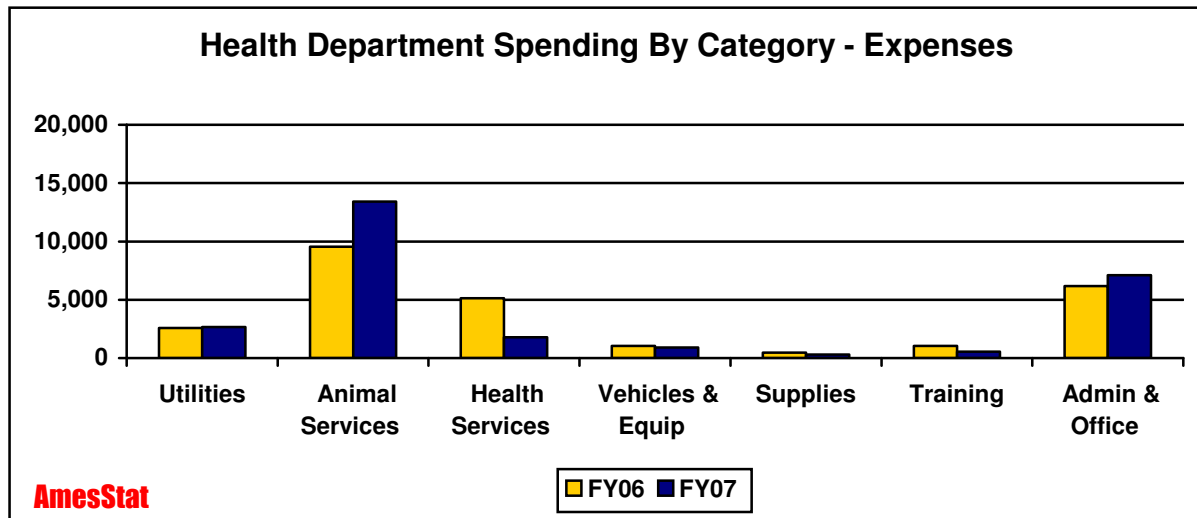
SUMMER PROGRAMS	FY06	FY07
Teen (12-14 yrs)	85	85 (w/ 25 wait list)
YouthPark (6-11 yrs)	182	201
Preschool (4 and 5 yrs)	55	80
Environmental (3-8th grade)	165	181
Tennis (1-11th grade)	31	23
Flag football (4-8th grade)	12	15
Golf (1-11th grade)	25	11
"STAR" (5-8th grade)	19	20
Shooting STAR (grades 2-4) [NEW]		16
Basket Ball (3-6th grade)	29	28
Swimming Instruction (1-8th grade)	30	54
Self-Defense (1-8th grade)	14	5
Baseball (7-12 years)	33	12
Disc Golf (3 -8 grade)	5	5
Kayak	24	27
Fishing [NEW]	24	18
Keys for Kids	7	5
Sports Squirts	22	15
Multi sports	14	12
Lacrosse (ages 7-14) [NEW]		12
Metro Rock –Climbing Camp [NEW]		9
CIT	17	25
Extended day	31	51
SUMMER TOTALS	824	910

1,026 youth from toddlers to teens have taken advantage of the many programs offered through Youth Services. A new adventure ropes course was installed at Camp Kent and Summer Park activities included tennis, fishing, theater, and karate and much more. Once again the Provident Bank Foundation generously supported the extremely popular Summer Park Program field trips.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

The Health Department is comprised of the Health Agent, Animal Control functions, and the Health Nurse. In 2007 Mayor Kezer reorganized the department, moving the Health Agent into the Inspectional Services Division. However, due to the move being mid fiscal year, the budgets remained combined through the end of FY07. Therefore, these departments appear under Health Department heading for this report.





Notes:

1. Animal Services increase due to a rabies case that required the city, per M.G.L. to pay for rabies vaccination of victim.

The Health Department personnel spend countless hours in non-revenue related services and activities such as daily response to citizen requests for information and assistance, conducting general sanitary code complaint investigations, ensuring compliance for documented violations, initiating legal actions as necessary, completing mandated paperwork, attending seminars on current health matters, supporting public health initiatives, offering health related educational materials to the public and interacting with a variety of state agencies including bioterrorism, regional planning and North Shore Health Agent seminars with the Department of Environmental Protection.

HEALTH AGENT

Type	FY06	FY07
Food Establishments	105	89
Massage Practioners	22	27
Student Massage Practioners	13	11
Massage Establishments	8	9
Camps	5	4
Public Swimming Pools	7	6
Tanning Establishments	4	2
Disposal Works Installers	18	11
Septic Haulers	6	5
Tobacco Establishments	10	8
Condemnations	-	10
Court Cases	-	4
Restaurant Closures	-	1
Total	198	187

The city established re-inspection fees as part of its health inspection fees. This introduction has helped speed up compliance, though some costs for court work and additional licensing are increasing.

The Health Department, along with the support of the Public Works Department held the annual Household Hazardous Waste Day at the Water Street parking garage on June 23, 2007. This is a fee based collection and an open event to neighboring communities. By the end of the morning seventy five vehicles had dropped off various household hazardous waste products to be properly disposed of and kept out of the general waste stream.

The Health Department held its fourth annual "Sun Safety Beach Day" for skin cancer awareness and prevention. The event was a huge success. The Health Department sponsored this event on June 30, 2007 along with the Recreational Department's sandcastle building contest and Lake Gardner Improvement Association's milk jug derby to help educate the community about melanoma. The Health Department would like to thank Stop and Shop for donating sunscreen that was given out during the event and Hodgies for donating ice cream. Thank you to the MRC volunteers who donated their time educating the public about sun safety.

Ongoing activities of the Health Agent include enforcement of Title V and Amesbury local Septic Regulations for new construction, repairs and sewer tie-ins; sanitary code complaint responses, including but not limited to, trash complaints, food borne illness investigations, odors, noise and nuisance complaints, and illegal dumping. Inspections of all food establishments, massage establishments, tanning establishments, recreational camps, semi-public swimming pools and septic system installations. The Health Agent is responsible for lake monitoring and beach water testing during the swimming season and posting test results at Lake Gardner as well as posting them on the City's website. Rental housing issues are investigated upon request. Bioterrorism Emergency Preparedness planning meetings in coordination with the Northeast Public Health Coalition Region 3 are also attended.

ANIMAL CONTROL

Actions

Type	FY06	FY07
Impounds	55	59
Claimed	32	17
Adopted Out	19	2
Transported to MSPCA	4	-
Transported to Merrimac Feline Rescue Society	-	37
Euthanized	1	1
Surrendered	-	-
Total	111	116

Rabies Tests

Type	FY06	FY07
Canine	1	-
Feline	3	3
Woodchuck	1	2
Skunk	6	2
Bat	4	4
Rat	-	1
Raccoon	-	2
Total	15	14

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE**Immunizations**

Type	FY06	FY07
Tetanus	32	21
Hepatitis A	24	3
Hepatitis B	61	11
MMR	18	15
Varicella	3	-
Tdap	2	-
DTaP	1	-
Pneumonia	2	15
Total	143	65

Immunizations were administered at the Academy for Strategic Learning, the Amesbury Middle School and the Health Department

Vaccinations

	FY06	FY07
Total Vaccines Given	1,620	920
Total Reimbursed	\$9,839	\$4,961

Medical Sharps Program

	FY06	FY07
Containers Removed/Replaced	1,620	36

Communicable Diseases

Type	FY06	FY07
Lyme	18	22
Ehrlichiosis	3	-
Giardia	5	1
Salmonella	2	1
Strep B	1	2
Babesiosis	2	2
Pertussis	3	-
Campylobacter	2	1
Cryptosporidium	1	3
Mumps	1	-
Hepatitis B	-	2
Strep Pneumonia	-	1
Total	38	35

Flu clinics were held at the Town Hall, Heritage Towers, Powow Villa, Hillside Rest Home, Elizabeth Calsey Houses, Amesbury Health Department, and in residents' homes. Total reimbursement from Medicare and HMO billing for flu and pneumonia vaccines totaled \$4,961. 920 doses of flu vaccine were given to residents of all ages.

Camp inspections were performed at the following camps: Camp Bauercrest, St. James Place, New England Soccer School, and the US Sports Institute through the Amesbury Recreation Department.

The emergency prescription program that was operating at Brooks Pharmacy is now defunct due to contract and pricing issues, but residents continue to submit medical and dental bills through this office to the Amesbury Health Care Trust Commission.

Collaborating with the Council on Aging, the department is now able to process applications for residents who are eligible for the MVRTA EZ Trans curb-to-curb bus service for individuals with disabilities.

The Amesbury Medical Reserve Corps now covers 5 communities – Amesbury, Merrimac, Rowley, Topsfield, and Boxford and has 90 volunteers credentialed and ready for deployment in the event of a public health emergency or disaster. The MRC Coordinator is Leslie Carabello and her position is grant funded through the Department of Public Health and NACCHO (National Association of County and City Health Officials).

Pandemic flu planning continues with presentations given to the Harbor School employees on March 23, 2007, a community lecture at the Cultural Center on May 23, 2007 and the Low Vision Support Group on June 12, 2007.

A presentation to the Brownie Troop on choking, CPR and hand washing was given at the Cashman School on April 13, 2007.

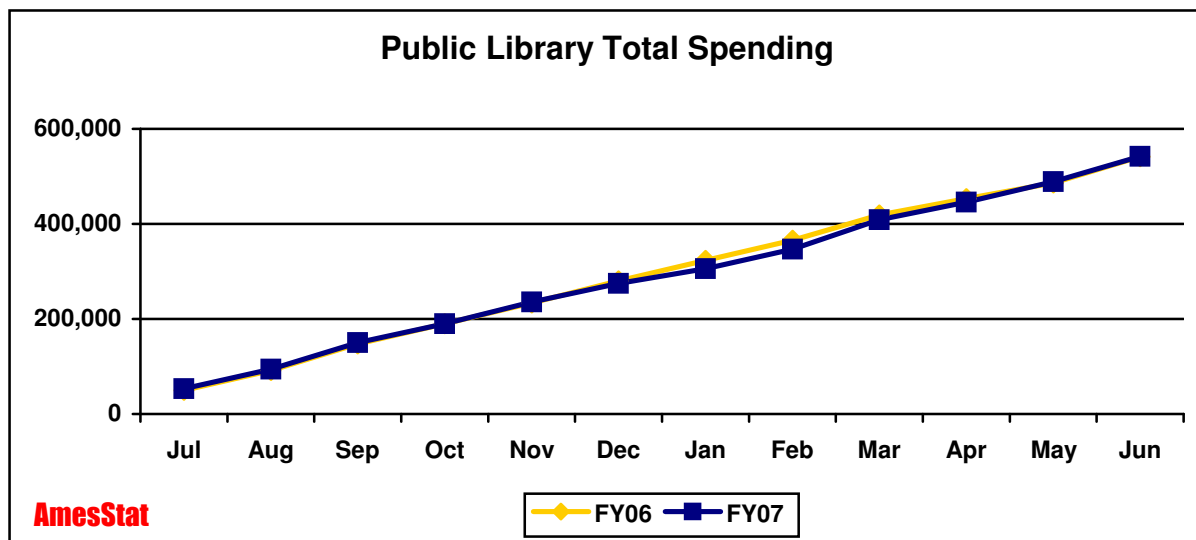
A presentation on Stroke Prevention entitled the FAST program was given at the Senior Center on April 27, 2007.

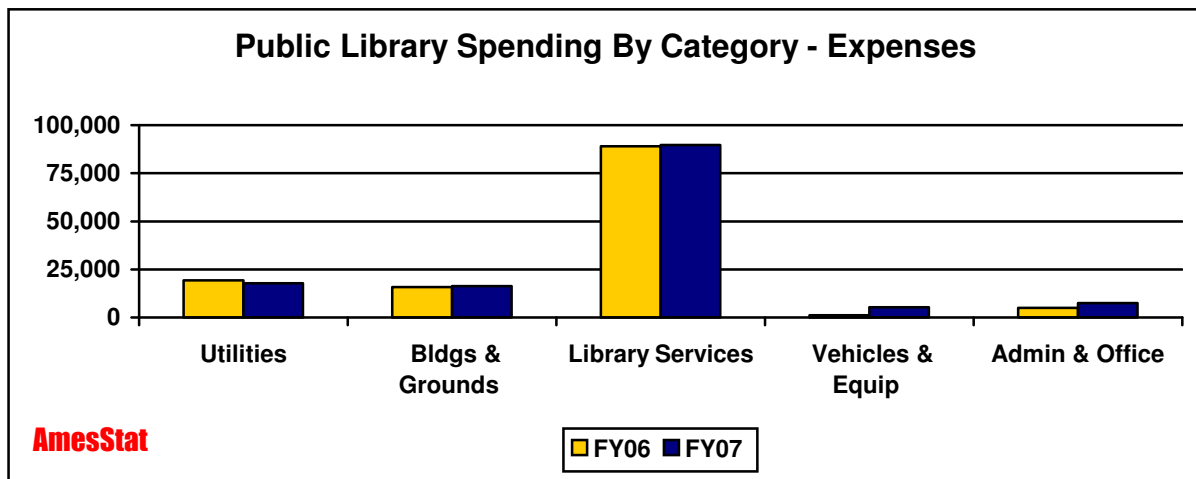
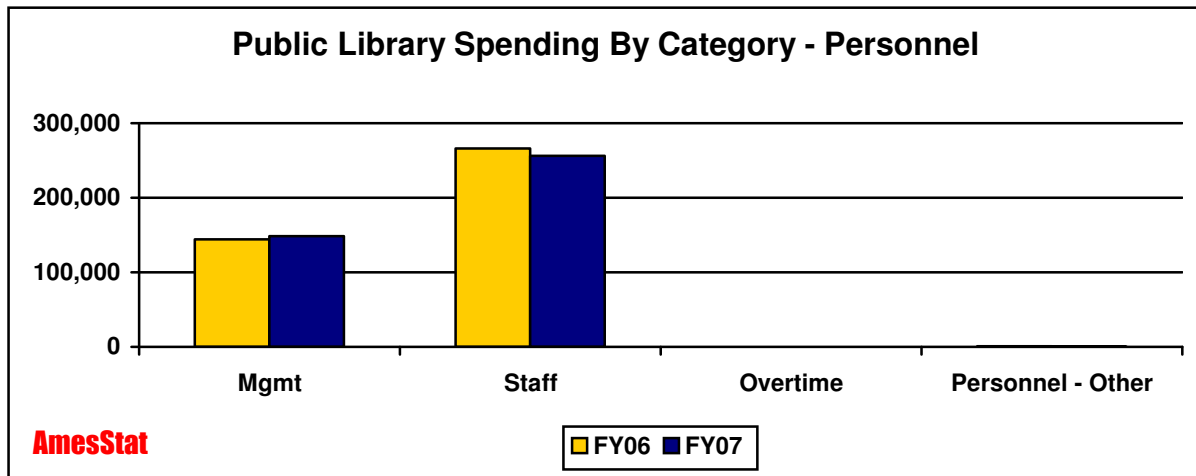
Tetanus and pneumonia vaccines were administered and information on emergency planning and summer safety was discussed and distributed at the third annual Harborside Healthcare “Chicken Soup for the Soul Fair” on May 23, 2007.

Trainings, workshops and meetings attended: St. Anselm’s Emergency Preparedness and Core Disaster training, MRC Regional Seminar, American Public Health Association international conference in Boston, monthly Community Health Networking Agency meetings, monthly Mass Association of Public Health Nurses meetings, quarterly Mass Association of Public Health Nurses Board meetings, Continuity of Operation Plan tabletop exercise at NECCO, the Legal Nuts and Bolts of Isolation and Quarantine training, monthly Northeast Regional Emergency Planning Committee meetings, the Council on Aging legislative breakfast in Lowell, What’s New in Vaccines sponsored by Sanofi Pasteur, monthly Region 3A Public Health Coalition meetings, Community Sanitation – Camps, Bedbugs training, 12th Annual Adult Immunization Conference, American Heart Association Stroke Conference, VNA Annual Breakfast lecture, MAPHN annual conference, Knee Deep in Clutter at the Beverly COA training, and Meningitis and Pertussis lecture sponsored by Sanofi Pasteur.

The Amesbury Board of Health respectfully submits its report for activities during the 2007 fiscal year to the citizens of Amesbury. The Board of Health continues to serve the residents of Amesbury in meeting ongoing environmental and public health challenges.

PUBLIC LIBRARY





The past fiscal year presented the Trustees and staff of the Amesbury Public Library with both new and ongoing challenges. Shrinking budgets, staff shortages, increasing demands for library services, and an increasingly inadequate facility together have tested collective abilities to merely maintain the level of services that the community has come to expect. However, through that adversity the Trustees and library staff have consistently risen to the challenge. The staff are to be commended for their dedication to the Library and to the Amesbury community. Past Board of Trustees Chairmen Christine Johnson and Nancy George are also to be thanked for their leadership.

Twenty years ago there was almost twice the number of library staff compared to today. In a time when cell phones were virtually unheard of, computers were relatively scarce, and the technology boom was just beginning, items in circulation averaged about 1,000 per month. Interlibrary loans accounted for a small fraction of overall circulation statistics. Today the monthly average of library items in circulation is around 11,000. The annual total is up by 10% over last year alone. Interlibrary loans now make up almost 25% of all circulation annually.

	FY07
Number of Registered Library Users	14,160
Number of Items in Collection	75,573
Total Circulation	135,038
Interlibrary Loans	33,794

Library programs and activities are more extensive than ever for people of all ages. Summer reading programs for children and teens have flourished. Pajama Storytime and Babytime programs in the Children's Room have been enormously popular. The Young Adult program calendar is filled with activities like Manga Club, String Art, and Paper Crafts. The Adult Book Group and Homebound Services continue to be popular. The past year has seen a number of special programs like David Oxtan's digital photography class, Irish step dancers, and Peter Sheridan's family concert. The Library welcomed the installation of a wonderful new exhibit from the Whittier Home on John Greenleaf Whittier and the Abolitionist Movement.

The Friends of the Library provide invaluable support. Their sponsorship of the tremendously popular Library Pass program has provided enrichment and entertainment to hundreds of children and adults during the year at the following institutions:

- Boston Museum of Science
- Boston Children's Museum
- Portsmouth Children's Museum
- New England Aquarium
- JFK Library and Museum
- Peabody Essex Museum
- Massachusetts State Park System
- Zoo New England (Stone and Franklin Park Zoos)

In addition, families who used the passes collectively saved thousands of dollars.

In regard to the Library building and ongoing problems of accessibility, modest progress has been achieved with the recent completion of a new access ramp. An automatic door is expected to be installed in the near future. The Trustees are committed to returning the archival collection to a fully repaired vault, and are in the process of obtaining repair estimates. Recently the Trustees have formed a Building Study Committee to explore possible sites for the Library and to seek direction from the public on future courses of action.

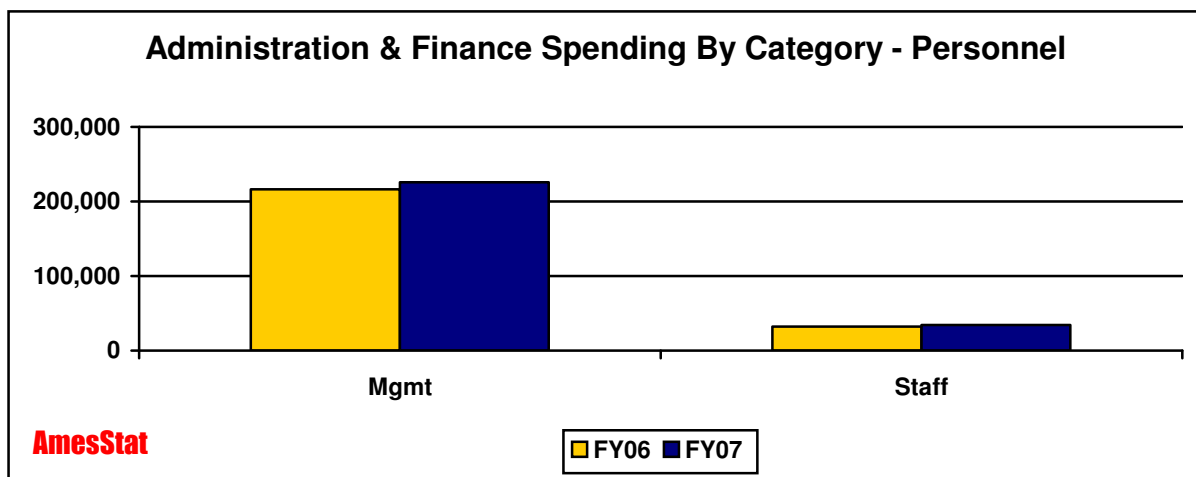
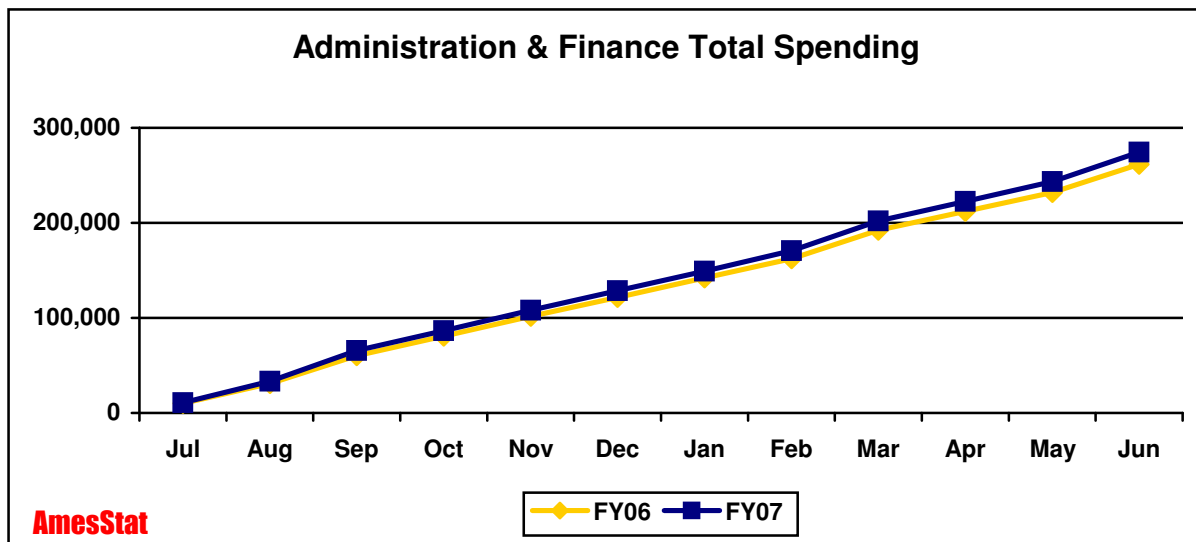
On a final note, the Trustees and staff were deeply saddened by the tragic loss of our dear Library Director and friend, Marc Lankin, who passed away on July 5 after a courageous battle with cancer. Marc was not only a fine administrator during difficult times; he was also an outstanding public servant, a community leader, a mentor, and a friend. Although we miss him, we are truly grateful for having known him and having worked with him.

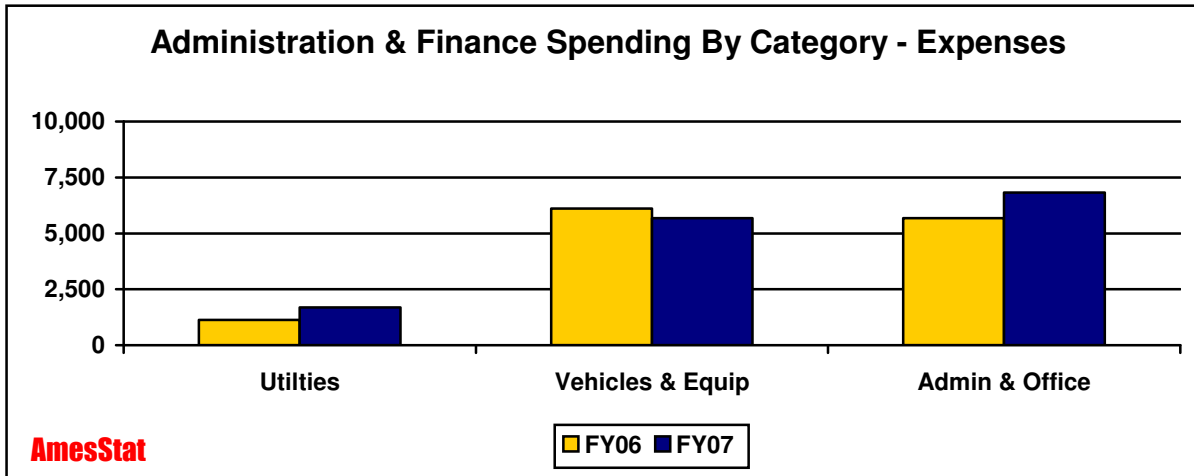
ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

The Administration and Finance division consists of accounting/auditing, the treasurer/collector, assessors, purchasing, and information systems.

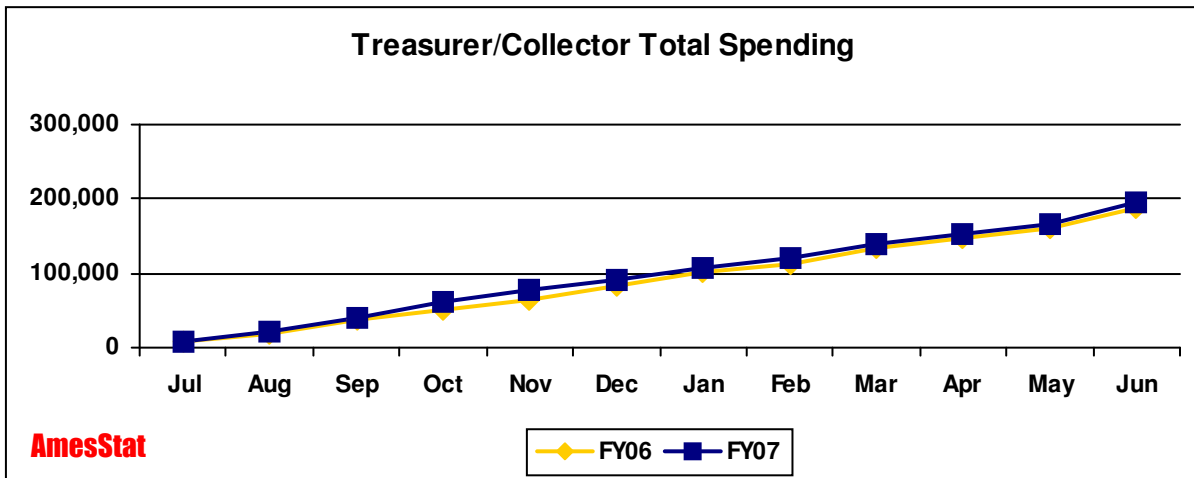
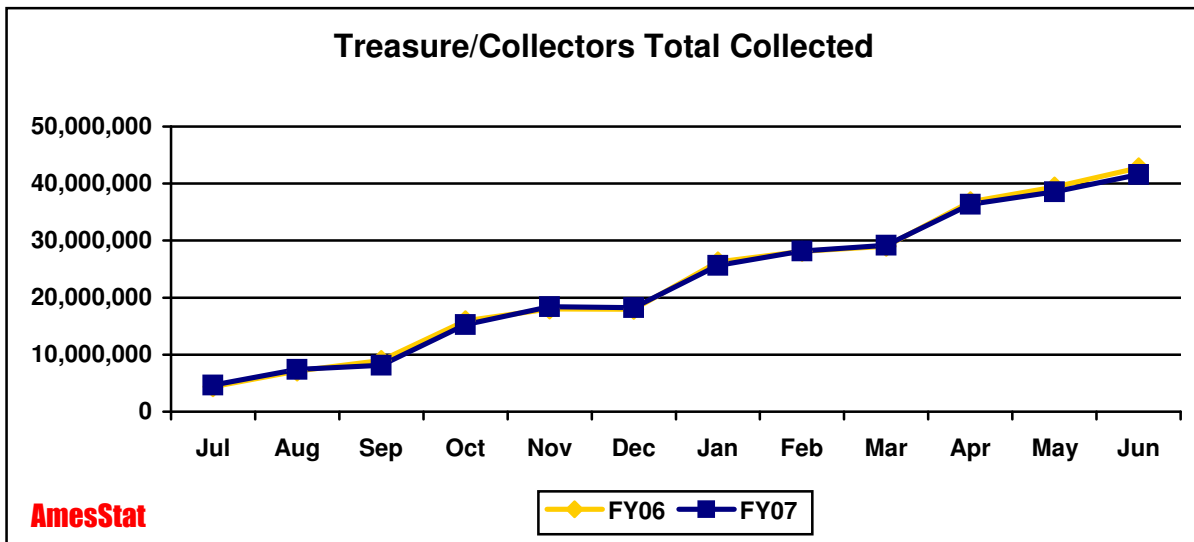
The division's mission is to ensure the city's funds are properly collected, recorded, expended, and accounted for according to federal, state and local law. The division assists with the coordination and administration of the activities of auditing, treasury/collecting, assessing, procurement, and information systems and ensures that financial and internal support is provided to all departments, providing the general public with departmental information, and improving accessibility to local government and its services.

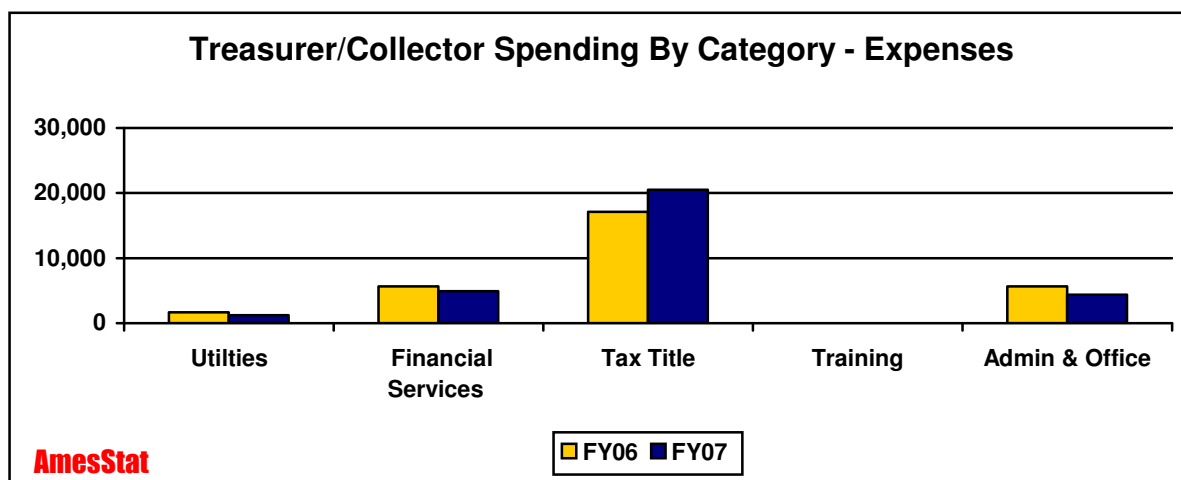
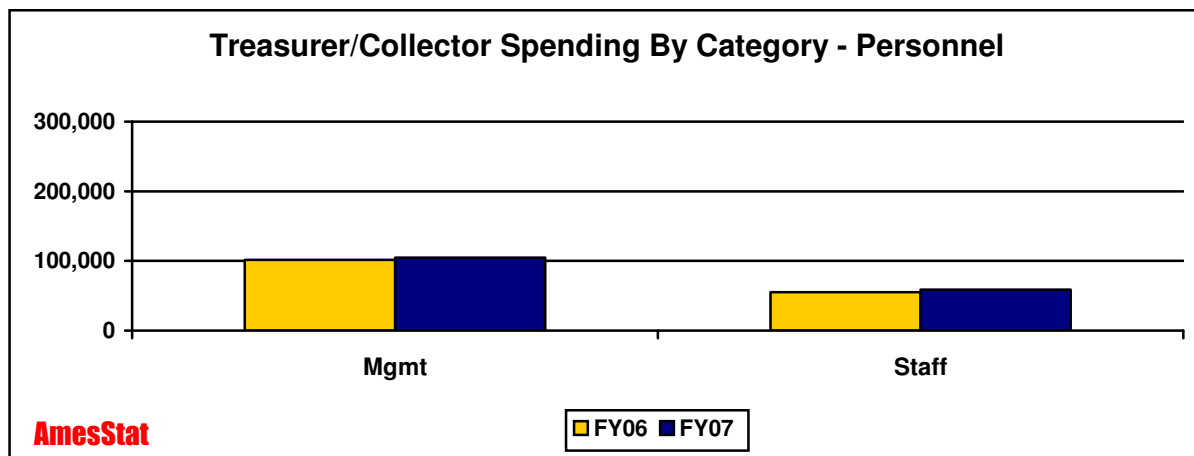
ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE





TREASURER COLLECTOR





Notes:

1. Tax Title increase due to increased tax title proceedings in order to bring work load up to current year.

Bank Balances	Amount
Banknorth - General Revenue	1,364,541.97
Banknorth - General Revenue	100,906.18
Banknorth - General Revenue	1,218,638.65
Banknorth - Payroll Account	43.90
Unibank - General Revenue	354.28
Unibank - General Revenue	44,765.46
Eastern - Library Trust Expendable Interest	750.46
Eastern Bank - Cultural Council	14,228.33
Eastern - Payroll Tax Account	0.00
Eastern Bank - General Revenue	4,067,959.98
Eastern Bank - Investment CD'S	2,000,000.00
Mellon - General Revenue	26,768.36

Bank Balances (cont.)	Amount
Century - General Revenue	704,164.11
Banknorth - Delta Dental	88,752.19
Eastern - Accounts Payable Account	261.37
Banknorth - Comstar Ambulance	0.00
Banknorth - Housing Rehab Designated	81,650.33
Banknorth - Housing Rehab Program Income	64,954.87
Banknorth Housing Rehab Home Acct	5,315.97
Eastern - Master Escrow Account	1,589.03
Bank of America - Trust Funds	2,698,232.97
Provident Savings - Planning Board Review Fees	289,006.84
Newburyport 5 Savings - Planning Board Review Fee	60,000.00
Banknorth - High School Student Activities	64,841.08
Banknorth - Middle School Student Activities	19,536.97
Banknorth - Amesbury Elem Student Activities	12,676.42
Banknorth - Cashman School Student Activities	4,407.12
Banknorth - Capital Projects	6,106,165.72
Total Bank Balance as of June 30, 2006	\$19,040,512.56

Other Funds in the Custody of the Treasurer Are:

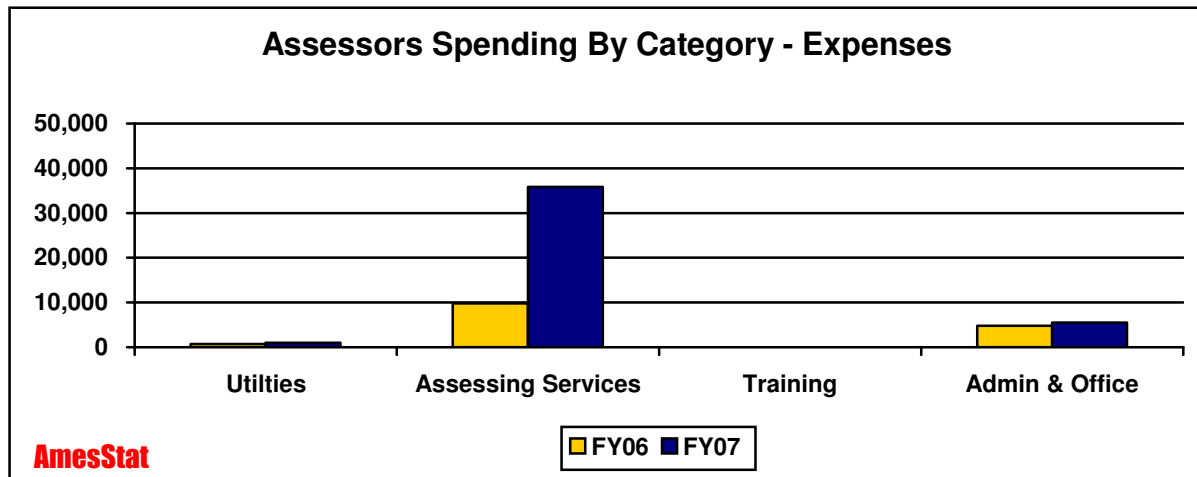
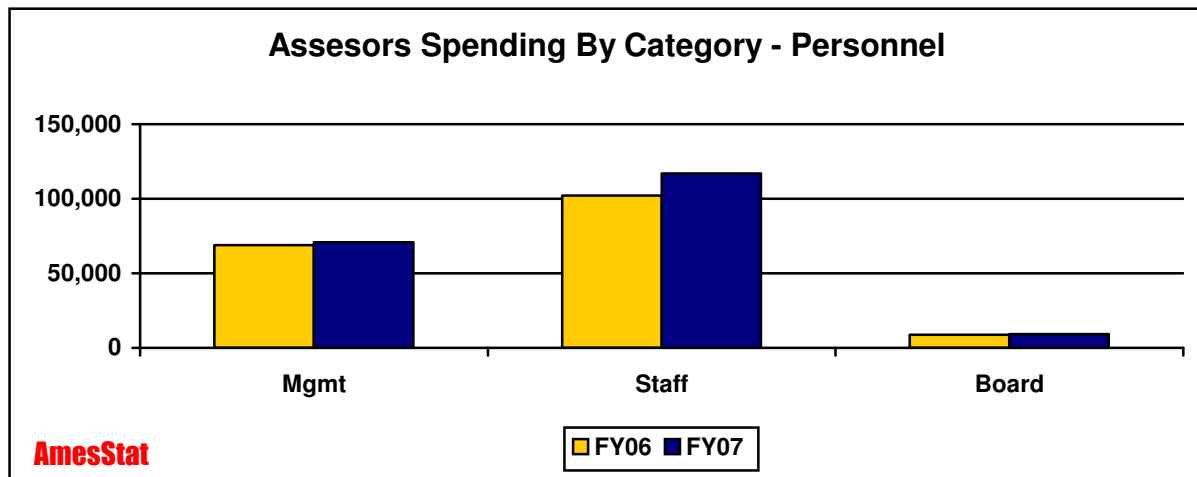
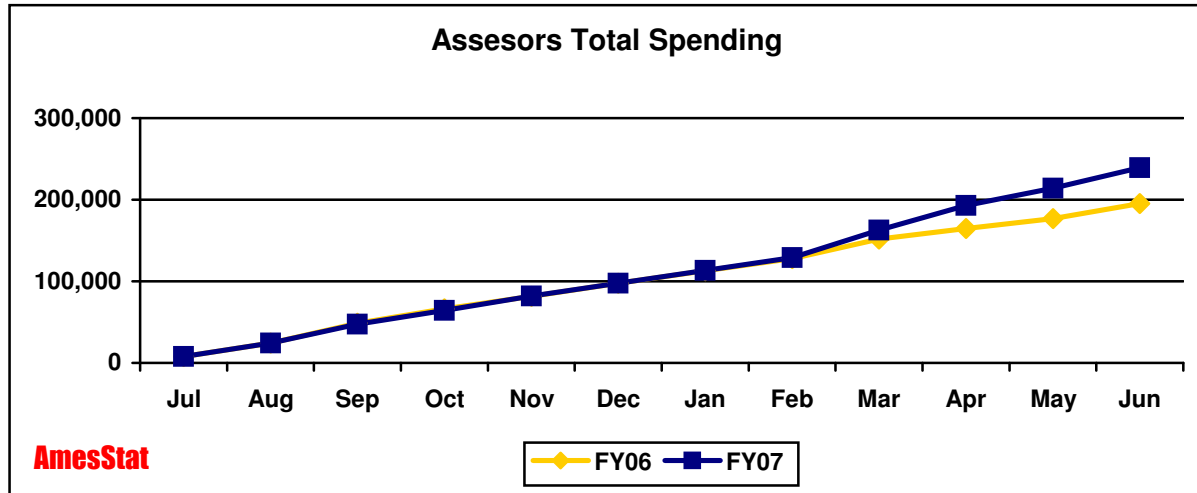
\$36,091,638.92

\$296,155.76

Trust Fund Balances 6/30/07	Principal	Interest	Balance
Hospital			
Health Care Trust	653,737.97	332,456.81	986,194.78
Library	Principal	Interest	Balance
James Babson	1,000.00	52.56	1,052.56
Mary A. Barnard	10,000.00	642.39	10,642.39
Samuel J. Brown	1,000.00	52.56	1,052.56
Fielden/Hanley Bk Fnd	815.13	50.63	865.76
Helen G. Fuller	1,000.00	52.61	1,052.61
Carrie I. Grieves	5,000.00	271.91	5,271.91
John G.W.Grieves	39,314.90	3,103.23	42,418.13
M.N.Huntington Bk Fnd	1,000.00	64.25	1,064.25
M.N.Huntington	11,213.17	627.14	11,840.31
Huntington(J.P.Morgan)	37,156.63	2,640.52	39,797.15
Melia Book Fund	1,000.00	64.21	1,064.21
Perley & Mary Sanborn Fund	112,500.00	8,877.23	121,377.23
Susan C. Sibley	47,000.69	3,804.17	50,804.86
Gen. Library Funds	39,666.40	4,032.56	43,698.96
Subtotal	307,666.92	24,335.97	332,002.89

Misc Funds	Principal	Interest	Balance
Amesbury Days	429.29	45.86	475.15
Ames Days/Hanley	291.32	31.92	323.24
Ames Soldiers Memorial	3,000.00	8,967.20	11,967.20
AHS 50th Scholarship	179,963.59	27,847.81	207,811.40
Edwin & Eleanor Bailey Scholarship	218,991.53	23,668.14	242,659.67
Bikes Wallace Scholarship	31,774.89	4,125.41	35,900.30
Blaisdell Scholarship	10,000.00	1,049.71	11,049.71
Brierly Scholarship	500.00	155.29	655.29
Class of 1940 Scholarship	20,755.49	1,593.39	22,348.88
Class of 1954 Scholarship	19,819.18	12,341.80	32,160.98
Gordon Scholarship	25,000.00	3,423.91	28,423.91
Guild Family Scholarship	18,000.00	3,731.15	21,731.15
Haines Scholarship	6,674.43	699.08	7,373.51
Raymond F Joyce Scholarship	10,000.00	1,598.99	11,598.99
Kimball Scholarship	5,580.00	820.07	6,400.07
Lawlor Family Scholarship	25,781.15	3,730.92	29,512.07
Lewis Scholarship	5,000.00	837.95	5,837.95
Pinciario Scholarship	8,223.00	726.88	8,949.88
Marci Lyn Sayward Scholarship	6,495.00	444.18	6,939.18
Otto S. Wagner Scholarship	5,000.00	515.55	5,515.55
Watkins Scholarship	11,664.99	1,309.33	12,974.32
Christmas Decorations	291.33	234.98	526.31
Moses Wilson Fund	162.80	112.97	275.77
Conservation	2,000.00	10,850.33	12,850.33
Stanley Park Fund	2,000.00	1,327.69	3,327.69
Stanley Park Fund	2,000.00	1,327.69	3,327.69
Stanley Poor Children	4,000.00	1,527.61	5,527.61
Graves School Library	1,000.00	146.86	1,146.86
Wentworth Fountain Fund	20.00	1,171.54	1,191.54
Ordway School	29.16	171.48	200.64
Subtotal	622,447.15	113,208.00	735,655.15
Stabilization	272,149.59	24,006.17	296,155.76
Pond Hill Sinking Fund	36,000.00	5,950.91	41,950.91
Cemeteries			
Union	170,096.97	7,321.29	177,418.26
Mt. Prospect	119,075.52	5,604.68	124,680.20
Old Corner	3,214.34	960.68	4,175.02
GRAND TOTAL	2,184,388.46	513,844.51	2,698,232.97

ASSESSOR



Notes:

1. Assessing services increase due to first year costs of multi-year revaluation program including assessment and valuation of commercial and industrial properties.

The Assessors are charged with determining the fair cash valuation of all real and personal property as of January first each year. Fiscal Year 2007 was an interim revaluation year and adjustments were made to reflect the changes in a very active market and to keep the City in compliance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth.

Rising values do not lead directly to rising tax bills. Assuming tax dollars collected are the same, increased values cause tax rates to go down. Therefore, taxpayers should be pleased when the value of their property increases. These are often our greatest investment and we should look forward to increased equity.

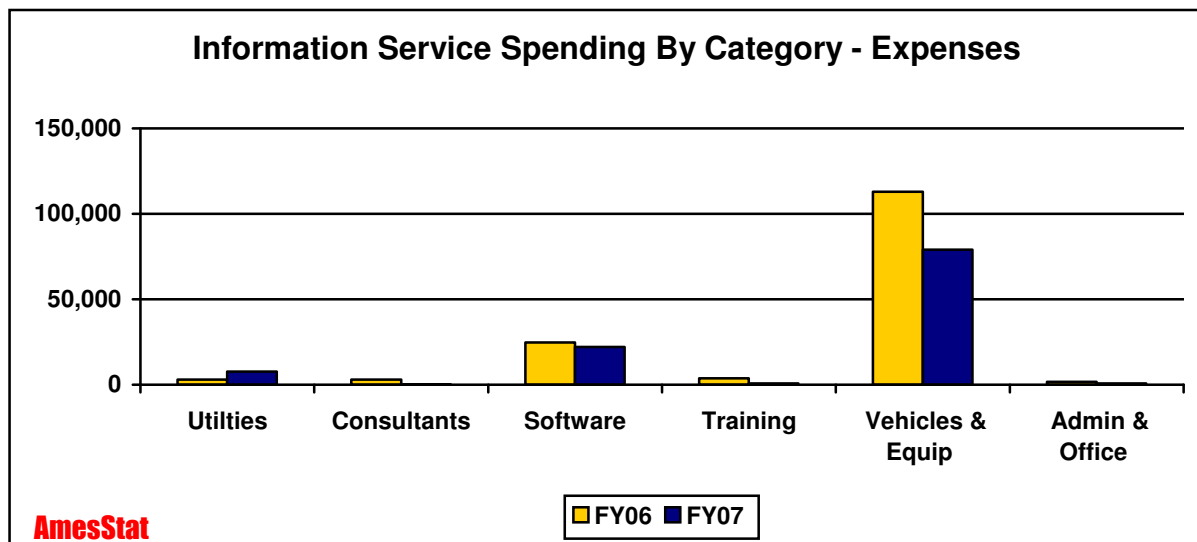
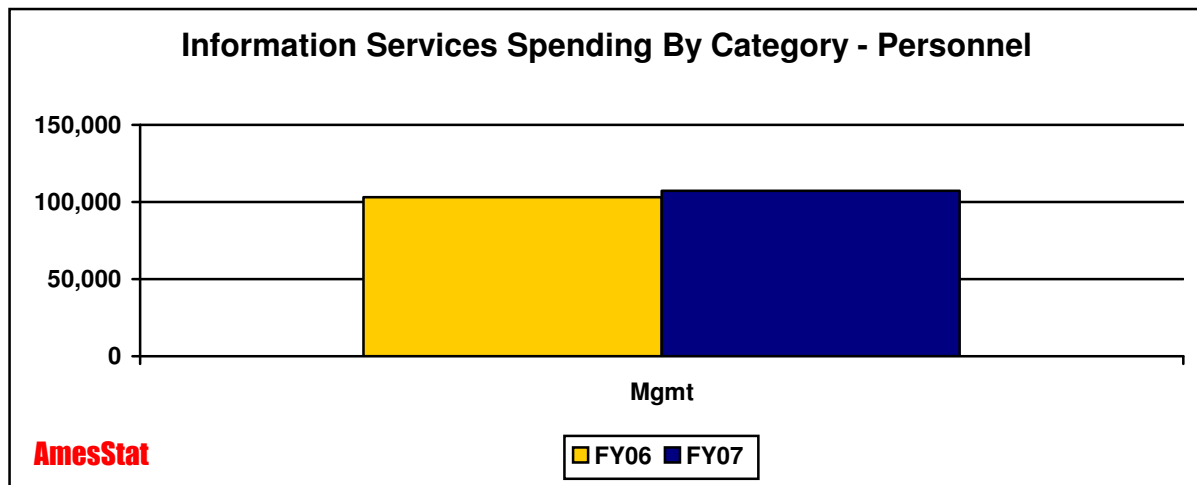
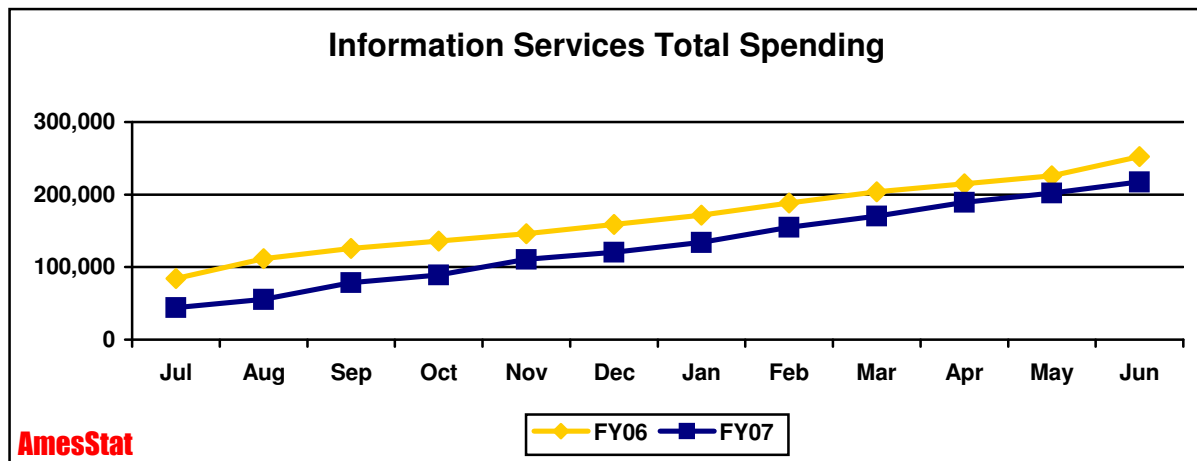
The Assessors office uses both Pictometry Electronic Field Study and Geographical Information Systems (GIS) in helping to provide views of properties that are sometimes out of the assessors view. Equitable assessments offer assurance that every taxpayer is paying their fair share of the tax burden regardless of the market.

Property values by class were as follows:

Class	FY06	FY07
Residential	\$ 1,763,846,361	\$ 1,844,922,210
Commercial	134,672,079	133,863,040
Industrial	91,579,760	98,836,500
Personal Property	32,427,870	31,076,840
Total	\$ 2,022,526,070	\$ 2,108,698,590

	FY06	FY07
Total Parcel Count	6,435	6,438
Exemptions & Abatements Granted	\$ 187,048	\$ 198,670
Motor Vehicle Billing	\$ 1,785,869	\$ 1,509,707
Motor Vehicle Abatements Granted	\$ 31,867	\$ 39,497
Boat Excise Billing	\$ 14,367	\$ 18,909
Boat Excise Abatements Granted	\$ 1,098	\$ 1,005

INFORMATION SERVICES

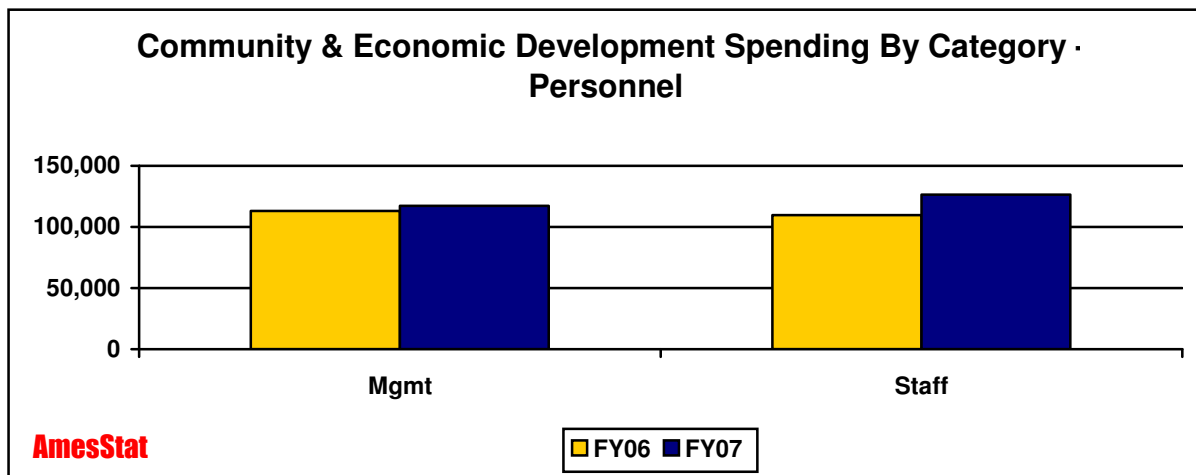
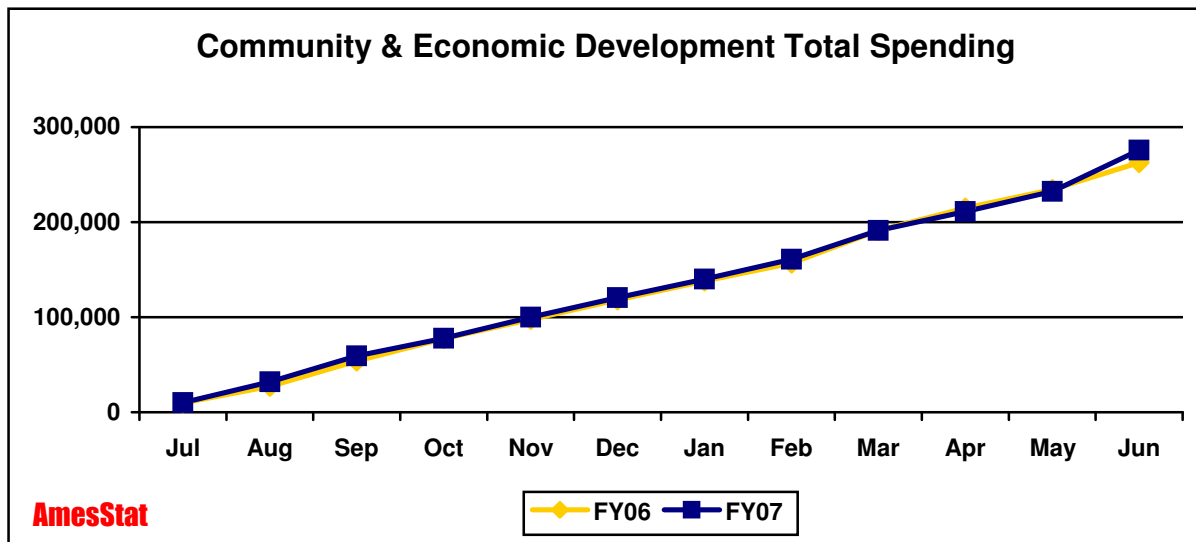


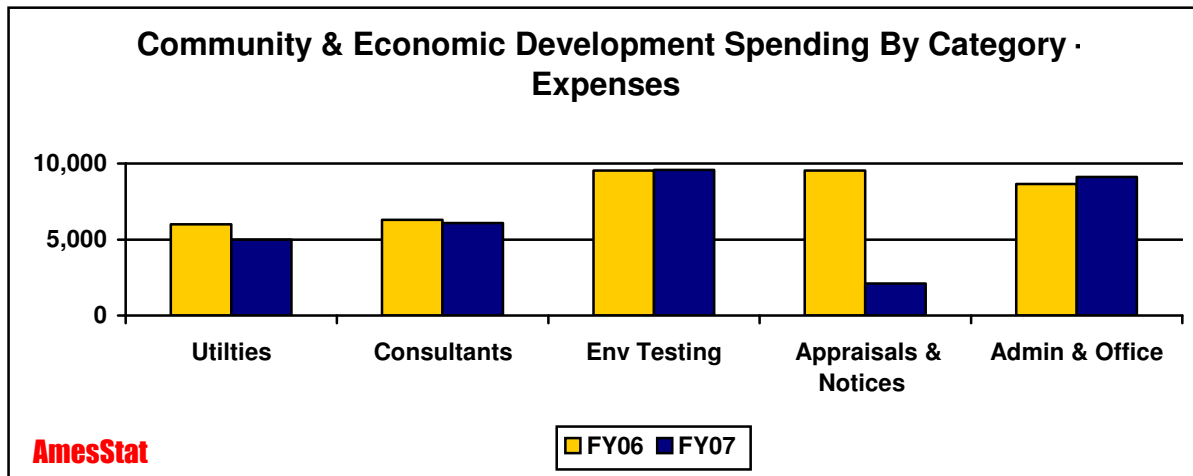
OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Community and Economic Development division consists of the planning, permitting coordinator, conservation, economic development, and community development departments.

The mission of the Community and Economic Development division is to provide professional planning, project and program management services, permit coordination and conservation administration to residents, businesses, the mayor, multi-member bodies and other city departments as regards the physical, economic, social and environmental needs of the city.

COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT





The Community Development Block Grant Program continued to be funded for the twenty-eighth consecutive year in a grant program that is highly competitive. This year the funds were used for a First-Time Home Buyer program (FTHB) in which 61 participants registered for that training program. 24 went on to buy homes and take advantage of \$84,000 in down payment and closing cost assistance. 56 elderly households participated in the heating assistance program while 13 young people received subsidies between \$540 and \$1,080 in order to attend the After School Program.

The Amesbury Salisbury Mills Park revitalization continued this year. The area also referred to as the Upper Millyard Parks, were rebuilt using over \$800,000 of non-City funds. \$300,000 of CDBG funds were used as a match to receive a similar grant from the Massachusetts Urban Self Help program and one hundred and \$150,000 from the Carriage Lofts developer along with additional State moneys funding the project. The parks themselves were made handicapped accessible, brick walkways, sitting walls, period lighting, plantings and irrigation systems were installed.

The Housing Rehabilitation Program continued to bring homes with code violations into compliance by providing \$329,300 in grants to upgrade 11 housing units. New roofs, heating, plumbing and electrical systems, windows and insulation were some of the more common improvements along with lead paint abatement.

In the area of Planning and Zoning, a primary focus was on Chapter 40B developments proposed in various areas of the City. Six projects were submitted or were under review by the Zoning Board of Appeals. The Vynorius project at Meadowbrook for 268 units was denied by the Board and is currently under litigation. The Eagle Point project on Clarks Road was approved for 44 units but had been modified by the ZBA. The developer has appealed that approval.

The primary project worked on was a friendly 40B on Haverhill Road between Route 150 and North Martin Road. The 240 unit rental project was the subject of numerous reviews and a 40R Zoning amendment before receiving ZBA approval. Subsequent to that approval the city has now reached its 10% affordable housing goal and theoretically does not have to approve any additional 40B projects. Moreover, the City is now eligible for a \$350,000 incentive payment for adopting 40R zoning.

This year did see a reorganization of the office at the demand of the Municipal Council and against the recommendation of the office. Certain members of the Council pushed through a plan that separated Youth Recreational Programs from the OCED and established it as a stand-alone department.

Changes in personnel also occurred during the past year. Deb Carey, Project Coordinator, left to take a job working on a large redevelopment project in Boston centering on the artist community. Sue Yeames, a prior employee in the Community Development Block Grant Program, was rehired to take her place. Being familiar with the office and projects, Sue provided a seamless transition and was immediately able to take up work on such projects as the Riverwalk, Transportation Center, Lower Millyard project and the Upper Millyard Park redevelopment. Sue is a great addition to the staff.

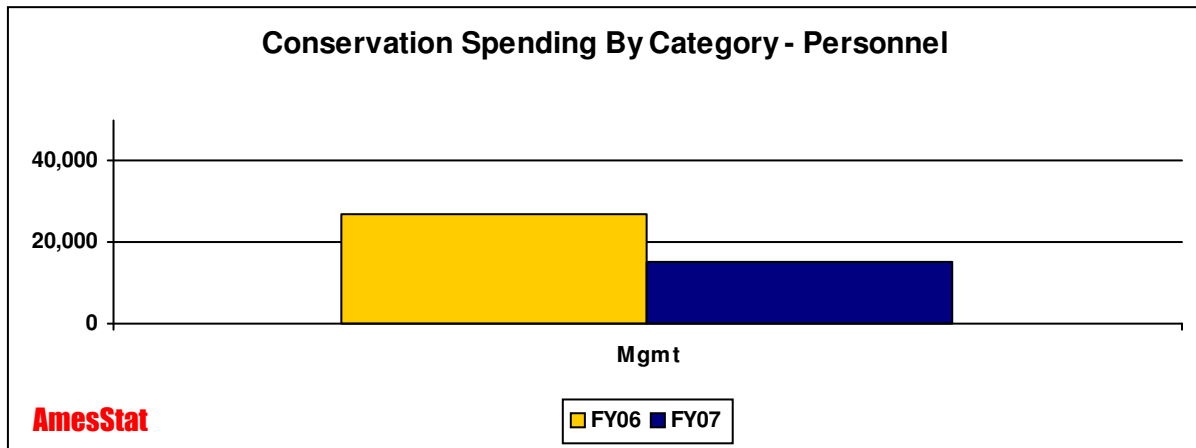
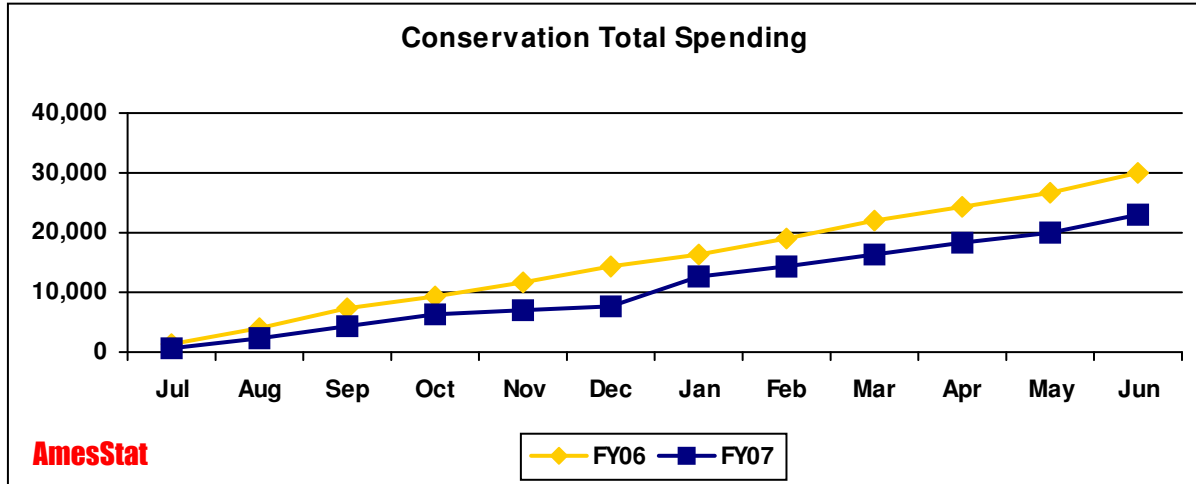
This year's budget included the newly created position of Permit Coordinator established to assist applicants and Board members in the complicated procedures surrounding the City-issued approvals. Providing direct professional support to the Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals and the Conservation Commission, this position is integral to establishing a procedure to expedite permit approvals after careful review by the Board and Commission members. The city was extremely fortunate in having Dayle Bell apply for and accept the position. Dayle had served as ZBA secretary and subsequently Board member several years ago and was quite familiar with process and procedures involved with permit approvals.

With the Mayor's reorganization support for the Conservation Commission was assigned to this office. During the year, Kathleen Legere, commission agent left to take a full-time position in another community. Tom Hughes, an environment consultant and member of the Salisbury Conservation Commission was hired by the Mayor to replace Kathleen and he has undertaken a review of policy and procedures of the Commission. Working with Dayle, they have developed a very user-friendly spirit of cooperation.

Another key development this year is the development of a permit tracking system using software developed by Govern, the City's software provider. Funded through a grant secured by the Mayor from the Merrimack Valley Economic Development Council, the OCED staff has spent significant time designing a program which will follow a permit application through the myriad approval processes and identify areas where to improve the process. Expediting the process is the goal of the program which will hopefully be operational next year.

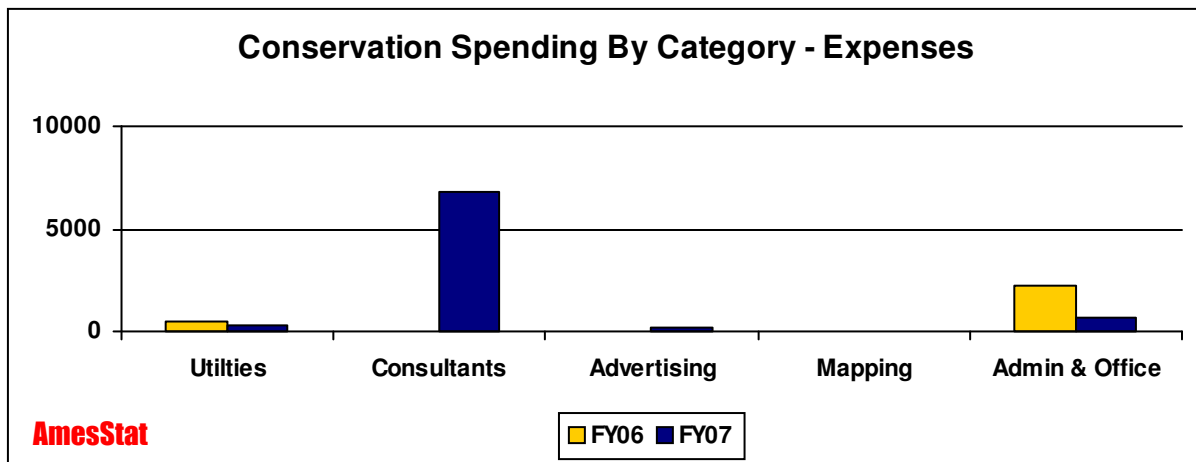
Many people support the activities of the office; from the Mayor and Council, members of the Boards and most importantly the office staff. Great strides have been made during this past year to identify areas for improvement, whether with economic development, zoning, planning or the permitting process.

CONSERVATION



Notes:

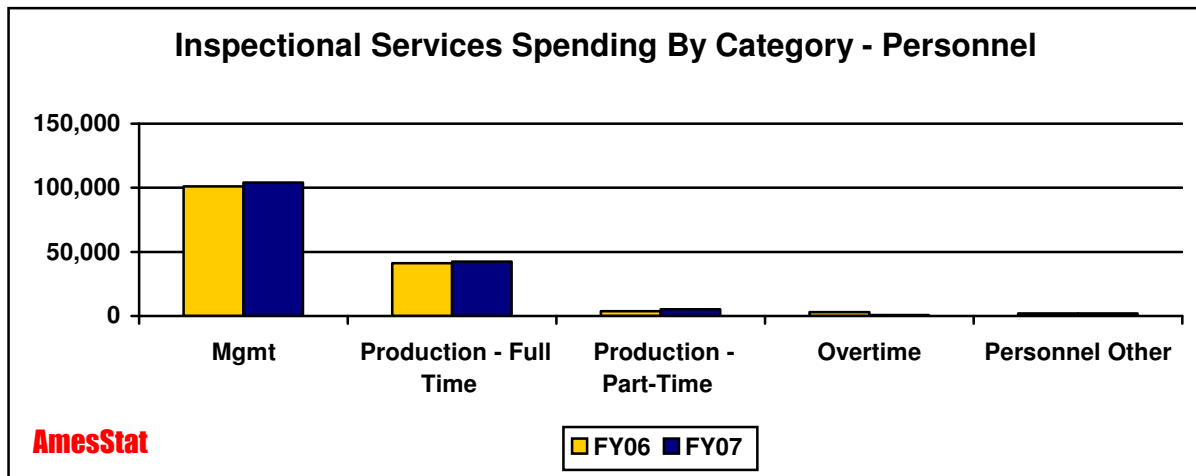
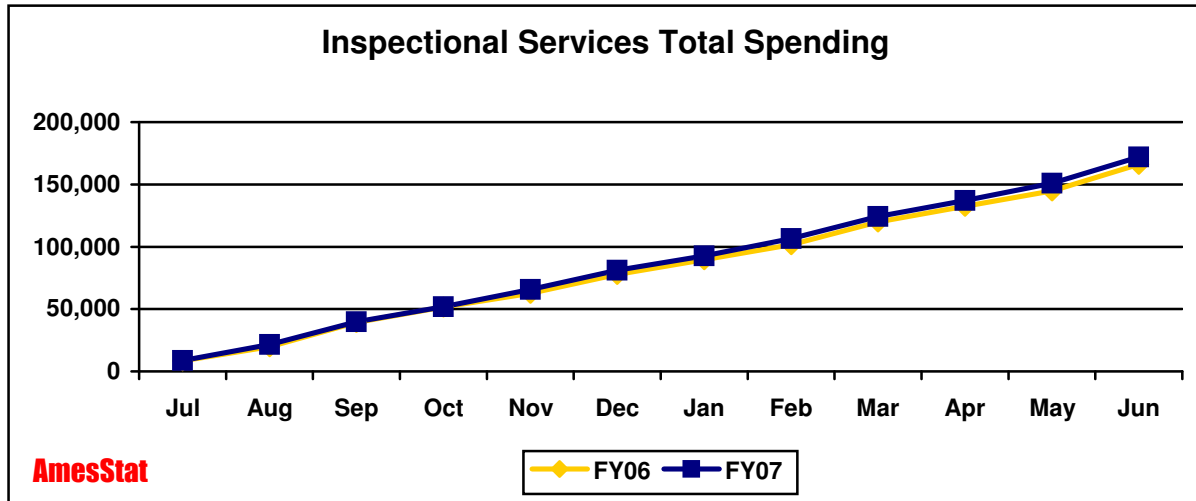
1. Management costs are below previous year due to three month vacancy of Conservation Agent position. Consultants cost correspond with filing Conservation Agent role, while position was vacant.

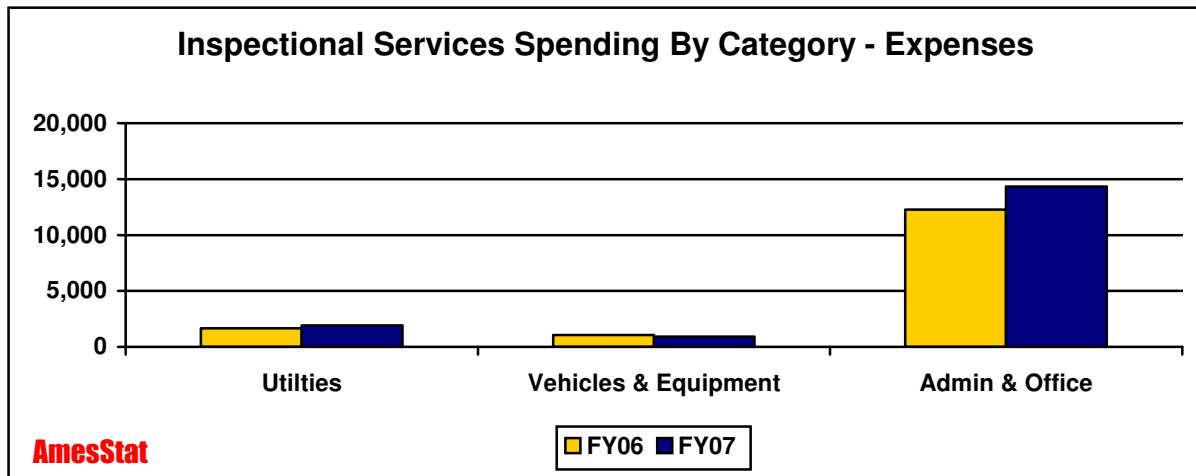


INSPECTIONAL SERVICES

The division of Inspectional Services consists of building, zoning, plumbing, electrical, gas and health related inspections. The division director shall be the zoning enforcement officer.

The division's mission is to enforce laws and state codes, and promulgates and enforces reasonable rules and regulations relating to building construction, zoning enforcement, sanitation, housing, food handling and weights and measures for the purpose of protecting public safety.





The Inspection Department has issued the following permits and collected the following fees for the 2007 Fiscal year:

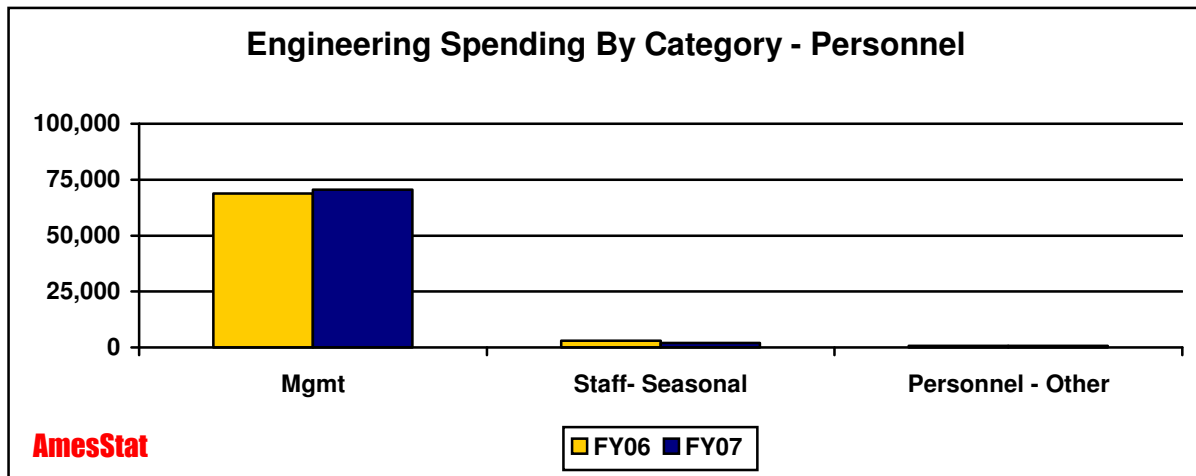
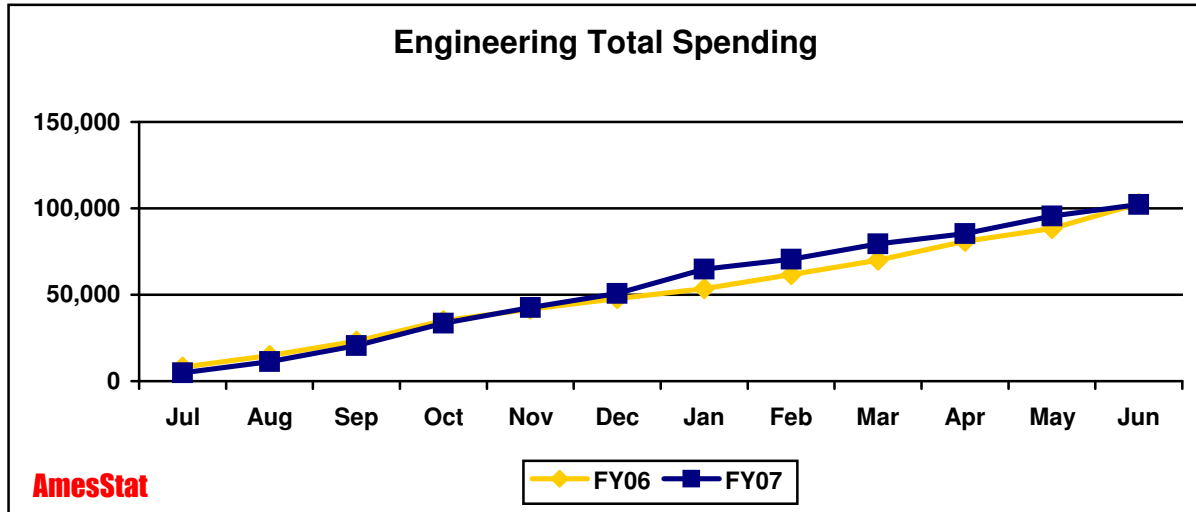
	FY06		FY07	
	Permits Issued	Fees Collected	Permits Issued	Fees Collected
Building Permits	510	\$ 139,465	455	\$ 76,746
Wiring Permits	458	\$ 57,678	349	\$ 39,618
Gas Permits	389	\$ 19,693	261	\$ 17,795
Plumbing Permits	337	\$ 51,600	272	\$ 23,125
Demolition Permits	34	\$ 725	17	\$ 475
Use & Occupancy Permits	139	\$ 3,595	186	\$ 4,600
Certificate of Inspection	48	\$ 2,524	67	\$ 2,284
Miscellaneous Fees	1	\$ 8	4	\$ 376
Total	1,916	\$ 275,288	1,611	\$ 165,019

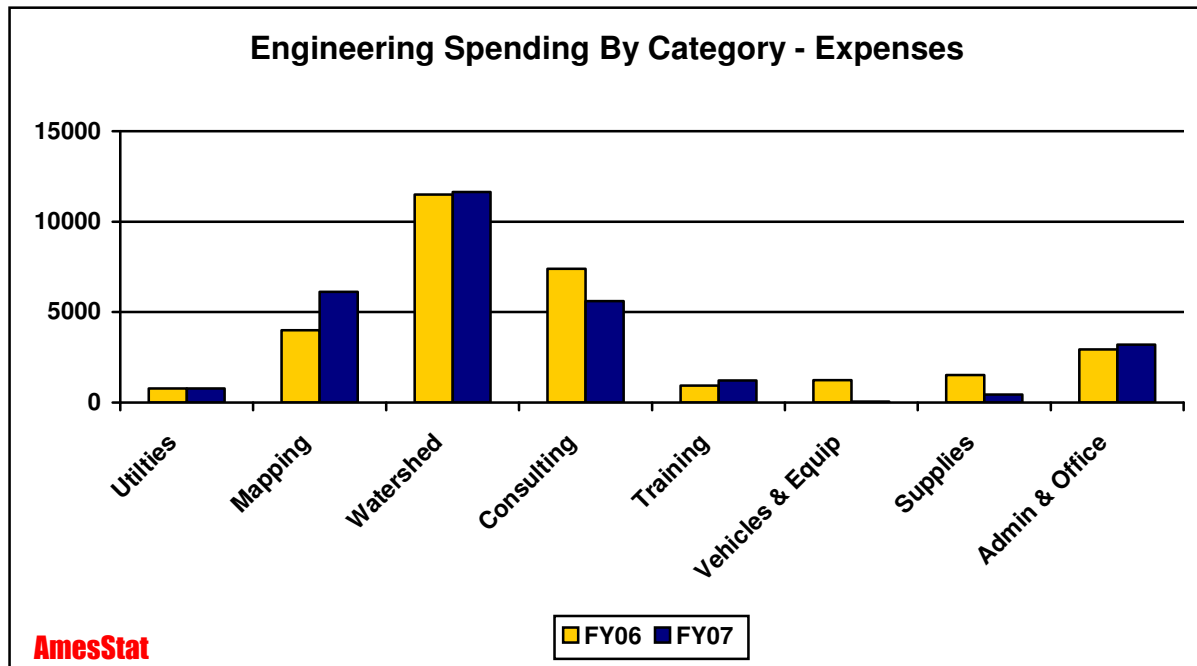
	FY06	FY07
Estimated Value of Construction	\$13,257,010	\$ 7,862,290

ENGINEERING

The Engineering division consists of engineering services and watershed management.

The division's mission is to support and enhance the quality of life for residents, businesses and visitors by providing programs and engineering services to maintain and enhance the city's infrastructure, by developing engineering solutions for roads and traffic, drainage systems, sanitary sewers and water distribution, and assuring quality design and inspection of construction projects in order to maximize benefits and convenience to the public.





The Engineering Department seeks funding, designs, permits and implements construction and environmental projects for the Town of Amesbury. The following is a sample of projects that were supervised, assisted or designed between July 1, 2006 and June 30, 2007 by the Engineering Department:

- Amesbury Public Library Handicap Access
- Archbrook Gate Repair/Replacement
- Congress Street Culvert
- Drainage and Roadway improvements at various locations
- Easements and Land takings at various locations
- Elm Street Reconstruction
- FEMA Storm Repairs
- Fern Ave Sewer Extension
- Lake Attitash 319 Grant
- Lake Attitash Road Drainage
- Lake Attitash Water Quality Sampling
- Lake Gardner Beach Walkway
- Lake Gardner Car Top Boat Access
- Mill Street, Aubin and Currier Streets Water Main and Drain Replacement
- Millyard Park Restoration
- Newton Road Weir
- Oak Street Bridge
- Park Pond Outlet Upgrade
- Powow River 319 Grant
- R Street Bridge
- Riverwalk Phase I
- Rt. 150 Reconstruction
- Thompson Street Bridge
- Tuxbury Pond Dam
- Vertical Benchmark Controls

- Water Treatment Plant Upgrade
- Water System Distribution Model
- Zoning Map Updates

The Engineering Department also provides technical assistance to the following departments:

- Assessors
- Building Inspector
- Community and Economic Development
- Conservation Commission
- DPW
- Health Department
- Police Department
- School Department

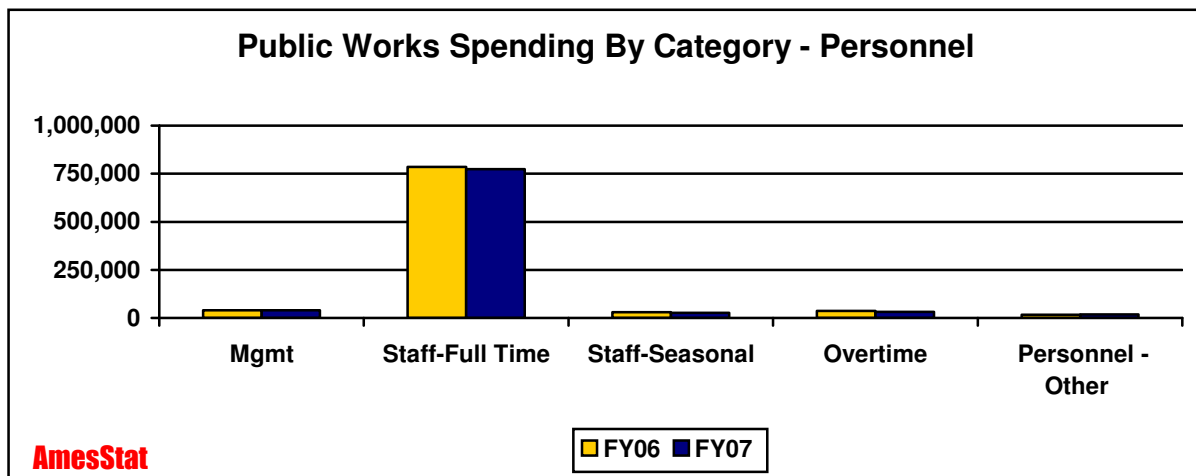
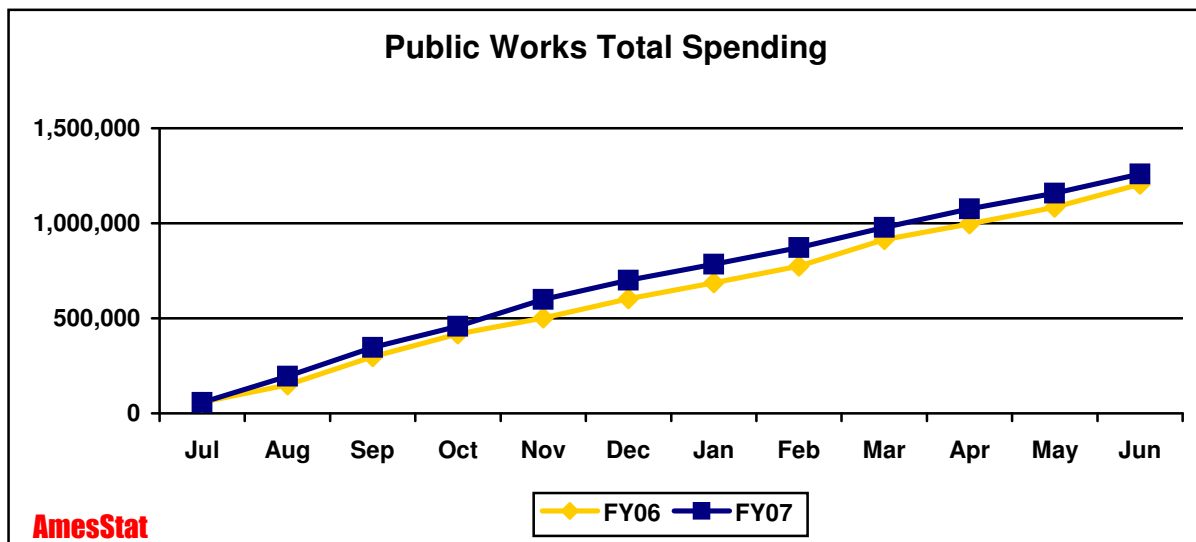
The Engineering Department is responsible for maintenance and management of all the waterways and control structures in Amesbury. The Town Engineer is Custodian of all dams in City.

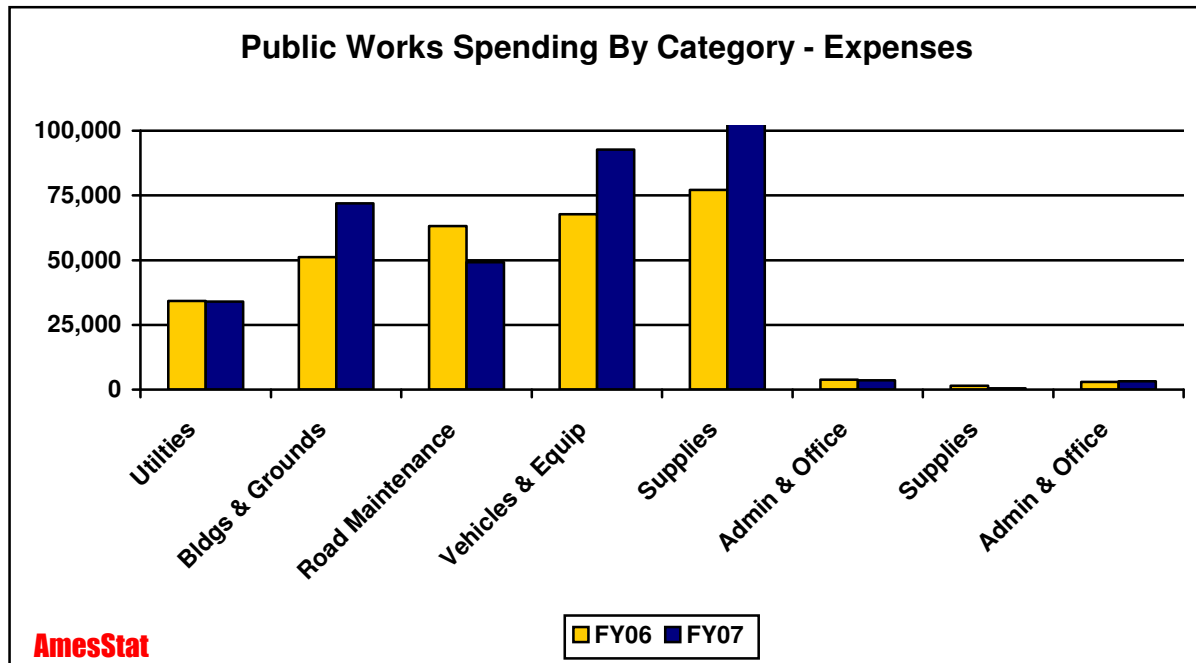
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

The division of public works under consists of maintenance of buildings, roads, parks, cemeteries, trees, vehicles and equipment, water treatment and distribution, sewer treatment and collection and recycling and refuse.

The mission of Public Works is to support and enhance the quality of life for residents, businesses and visitors by providing services to manage and upgrade the city's infrastructure in the most efficient manner, and provide design, construction and maintenance solutions for roads, traffic and drainage systems, trees, parks and cemeteries, sanitary sewers, water production and distribution and solid waste and recycling collection, in order to maximize benefits and convenience to the public.

PUBLIC WORKS





Notes:

1. Bldgs & Grounds increase due doubling efforts of tree work including pruning, removal and stump grinding.
2. Vehicles & Equipment increase due to changes in fleet management. Additional costs were incurred to repair damaged vehicles and address longer than expected wear and tear.
3. Supplies increase due to increased hazardous materials disposal in accordance with the Department of Environmental Protection regulations.

The DPW Administration staff plans, manages, coordinates, schedules and monitors the Department's activities; prepares budgets, monitors expenditures, develops bid specifications for DPW procurement and responds to citizens concerns and complaints. Strategic plans are developed in conjunction with the division heads and coordinate various activities with other departments in support of the City's needs. Administrative personnel also schedule work assignments, evaluate work performance, monitor attendance and other human resource issues, and participate in the contract negotiation process. The Administrative Division supervises contracts for services relating to curbside refuse and recycling collections. The DPW Administration works closely with the Engineering Department to insure project/job specifications and standards are met and issue permits, including: Street/sidewalk Obstruction, Street Opening, Water and Sewer Service Connection and Second Meter permits.

Permits

	FY06	FY07
Water Permits	25	14
Sewer Permits	26	13
Second Meter Permits	26	46
Street Opening Permits	37	42

Compost Site

	FY06	FY07
Resident Stickers	822	926
No Fee/Senior Citizen Resident Stickers	253	0
Brush Cards	313	0
Amesbury Landscape Stickers	12	13
Out-of-Town Contractor Stickers	0	0
Special Letters	10	19

Residents who wish to get rid of leaves, grass clippings and small plants, etc. must pay \$15.00 for a resident sticker which allows them unlimited use for the season, which runs from April 1st to November 30th. Trucks and trailers must pay for brush removal at a fee of \$5.00/per cu. yd. Brush consists of 1-3" in diameter limbs, etc. Amesbury Resident Landscapers pay \$250.00 for a sticker for the season, and pay for brush. Non-Amesbury residents/landscapers pay a fee of \$1,000.00 for a sticker and also must pay for brush.

Special Letters are issued on a case-by-case basis where a vehicle is not registered in Amesbury. The Special Letter allows the person to dump two (2) loads only at the compost site. After a full year of being implemented, the success of the program can be seen in the elimination of non-approved material. In addition, compost screened from the operations is available to the residents at Battis Farm.

The Compost Site is overseen by two retired DPW workers, Philip Branconnier and George Curtis.

Chapter 90 Funds

The Administrative Office applies for approval and oversees all aspects of Chapter 90 State funded road projects, to include bidding services for projects, maintaining the balance/accounting sheet for each project, requesting additional funding for projects if necessary and applying for reimbursements.

Highway Division

The Highway Division maintains roadways, sidewalks, drainage systems and signs. The Highway Division also oversees the mechanics, who service vehicles for all DPW divisions, while assisting the Police Dept., School Dept., Council on Aging and some Fire Dept. vehicles.

- 1,064 tons of hottop used to repair delaminating roads, overlays, drainage trenches, catch basins/manhole edges, shoulders, roadway depression, berm installations, potholes and water trenches.
- 21.54 of Mira mix and 20 tons of asphalt were used during the winter months to fill potholes using the hotbox reclaimer.
- Painted 92 crosswalks, 40 stop bars, parking spaces, handicap spaces, No Parking areas and fire lanes and symbols
- Assisted Contractor with cleaning 2,012 catch basins
- Assisted Sweeping Contractor on 175 lane miles of road

- Maintained all period street lighting, tree grates and electric pull boxes in the Millyard and Downtown
- Assisted all divisions and City departments for special events, voting, emergencies, meetings, personnel assistance, and upon request
- Installed 32 street name signs and 36 safety and regulatory signs
- 70' of 4" PVC, 60' of 6" PVC, 78' of 10" PVC and 80' of 18" ADS pipe was used at the following locations: Childs Ave., Maceo St., Camp Kent, Market St., Newton Rd., Fern Ave. and Pleasant Valley Rd.
- Graded various dirt roads and the parking area at Battis Farm, and Lake Gardner Beach.
- Through a DEM Grant, repaired storm drains and catch basin manholes.

Paving Projects:

Mt. Prospect Cemetery / Lombard Ave. – berm and finish coat / Middle Rd. – level course / Oak St. – level course / Chase St. – level course / Valley St. – level course / Mill St. (bottom) – level course / Glenwood St. – cold plane and level

Snow & Ice

The Highway Division is responsible for the removal of snow from streets, sidewalks and parking lots. Snow operations include, salting, sanding and plowing. Post-storm operations may include scraping, pushing back and hauling and removing snow piles. The Highway Division Foreman oversees the entire DPW operations staff as well as private contractors performing snow removal activities. Approximately 30 % of snow removal effort is performed by private contractors. When snow removal operations occur outside of regular work time, DPW employees are paid on an overtime basis; contractors are paid on an hourly flat rate.

	FY06	FY07
Inches of Snow Reported	50.5"	38.5"
Full Plowing Operations	4	3
In House Staff Scraping Operations	3	3
Sanding/Salting Operations	16	15
Snow Removal Operations in Central Business District	2	2
Snow Removal Operations for Residential Routes		4
Yards of Sand/Salt Mixed Used	236	135
Tons of Salt Used	1,338	585
Gallons of Calcium Chloride Used	1,400	500
Lbs of Ice Melt Used	206	175
Yards of Sand Used	4	10

Tree/Park/Cemetery (TPC) Division

The Tree Division plants trees and maintains an undetermined number of trees on City property, including the schools, parks, recreational areas, municipal building properties and public right-of-way.

Amesbury again has been named a Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation. This marks the 11th consecutive year that Amesbury has received this national recognition. During FY06:

	FY06	FY07
Trees Removed	32	47
Trees Pruned	44	71
Trees Planted (Approx)	300	250
Emergency Responses	57	49

This year's tree planting was funded by the Amesbury Improvement Association and donations by residents, in conjunction with the Amesbury Tree Board and Dept. of Public Works. More information on tree planting can be obtained by reading the Tree Board report.

The Park Division is responsible to mow and trim cultivated turf areas, mow roadsides and conservation areas, collect rubbish at parks and playgrounds, weed, edge, plant and mulch shrub beds and prune shrubs. Park staff also constructs and maintains bleachers, playground equipment, picnic tables, drinking fountains, fencing and park/playground benches. Staff prepares and cleans sites for special events, assist with snow plowing operations and the Christmas tree recycling program on an as needed basis.

Notable accomplishments for FY07 for the Park Division are as follows:

- Installed weed block and mulch as part of the Police Station renovation.
- Assisted with the Junior Varsity baseball field renovations at Town Park. This was an Eagle Scout project for Andy Watson of Amesbury.
- Assisted Dow Construction with Millyard Renovation Project.
- Roadside mowing - 20 miles of roadside mowing and brush clearing was completed along portions of over 30 roads and public areas.
- Maintained and repainted playground equipment at Friend St. and Collins St. parks
- Performed leaf cleanup at the Town Park, cemeteries, Millyard and downtown areas
- Worked with a developer to expand and resurface the playground at Collins St.

The Cemetery Division is responsible for the administration, maintenance and operations of four (4) cemeteries; The Tuxbury Cemetery on Kimball Rd, the Old Corner Cemetery on Elm St. (both are listed as historical cemeteries), the Mt. Prospect St. Cemetery on Elm St. and the Union Cemetery on Haverhill Rd.

Operations during FY07 at the cemeteries are:

	FY06	FY07
Internments at Union Cemetery	24	14
Cremations at Union Cemetery	8	11
Interments at Mt. Prospect	300	7
Cremations at Mt. Prospect	3	5

Cemetery Division personnel also worked closely with the Cemetery Advisory Commission to draft and update cemetery rules and regulations that were adopted and approved by the Municipal Council.

Other work performed by the TPC Division during FY07:

- Maintenance performed on municipal buildings
- Prepared for Amesbury Days
- Assisted Highway Div. when necessary, in addition to snow and ice duties
- Assisted with Woodsom Farm Festival and Woodsom Farm Antique Show
- Assisted the Alliance with events/concerts
- Assisted School Dept and Housing Authority
- Prepared Town Hall for elections/meetings, etc.
- Cut and set up Christmas Tree at Market Sq., and hung garland throughout downtown area
- Assisted Waste Mgmt. with Christmas tree removal
- Trimmed shrubs at City owned areas including cemeteries, parks, traffic islands and downtown
- Assisted all Municipal offices with moving items, boxes to storage, furniture placement, etc.
- Emptied trash barrels and serviced dog convenience stations on a scheduled/as needed basis at the Town Park and Pines, Millyard, Tuxbury Dam, Alliance Park, Training Field, Deer Island, Batchelder Park, Battis Farm, Huntington Memorial Park, Town Forest, Union Cemetery, Mt. Prospect Cemetery and the Riverwalk.

Lastly, the TPC Division again would like to express a sincere thank you for our summer help employees who assisted with mowing and trimming in the cemeteries, helped with trash pickup and an assortment of other small jobs: Nathan Basque, Brendan Leary, Nick Geanoulis, Matt Johnson, Tom Audi, Josh Frappier, James Malacuso, Mike Gonthier and Tom Abraham.

Also, thank you to Sheriff Frank Cousins, his staff and especially the crews from the Essex County Correctional Facility Work Release Program for their tremendous assistance during this past year.

It should also be noted that Norman Dondero, Skilled Maintenance Laborer (Park Caretaker) retired this past February after 38 years of service. Norman's constant presence and dedication to the Town Park (dubbed Norman's Park), will be greatly missed. We thank Norman for his dedication and wish him well on his retirement.

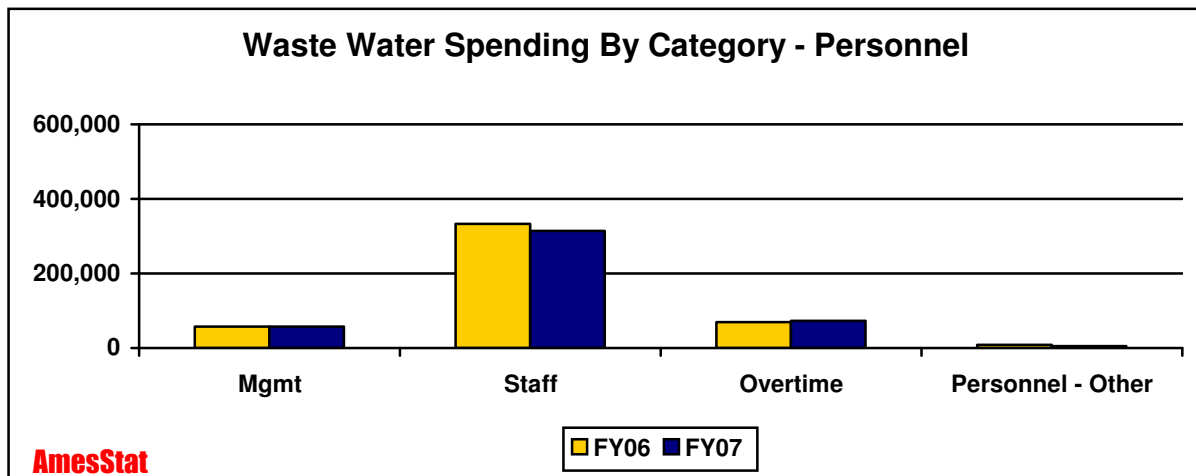
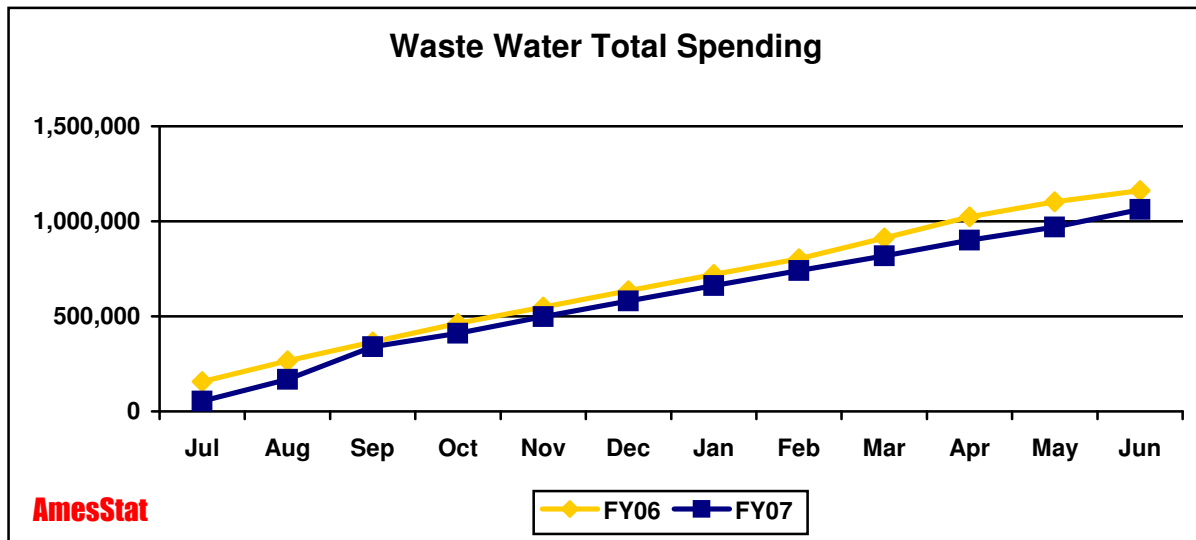
Solid Waste (Trash & Recycling)

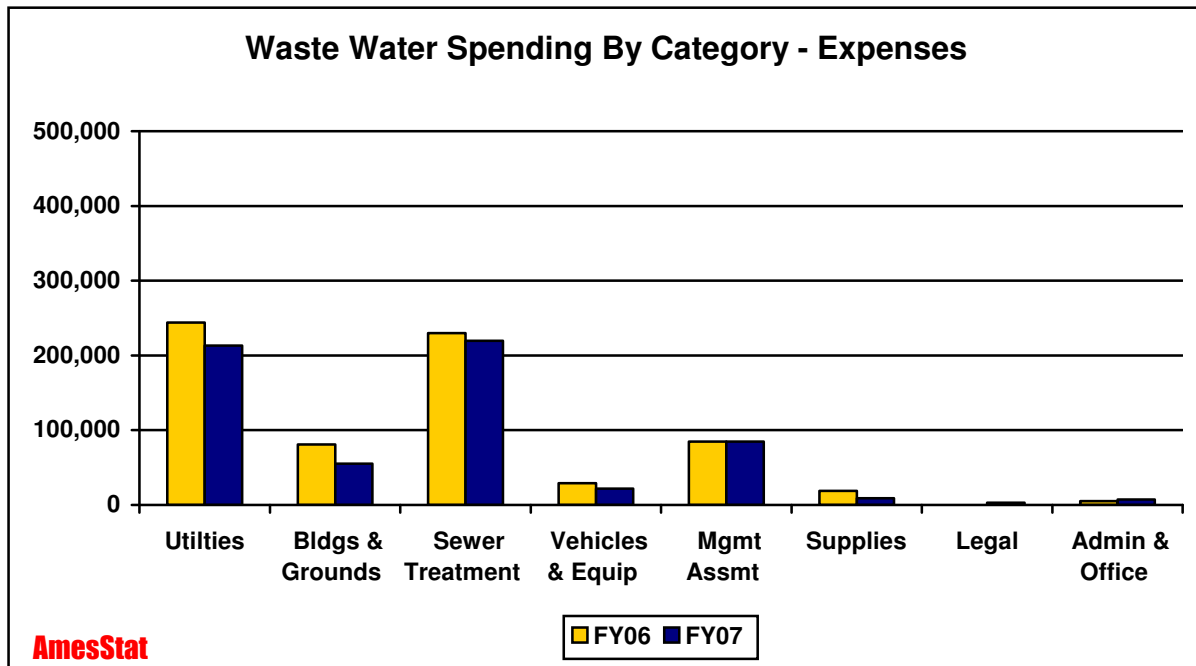
The City's solid waste program includes curb-side refuse collection and disposal to approximately 4,700 homes including pick up two (2) times weekly to the Central Business District; bi-weekly curb-side recycling is provided to approximately 4,500 locations including condominiums where access is available, and weekly within the Central Business District. The weekly collection of trash is approximately 108 tons, and recycling is approximately 25 tons. A special collection for televisions, computers and other electronic equipment and hazardous waste materials is administered through the City's Health Department. Christmas tree recycling is advertised and scheduled during a two week period after the first of the new year.

New this year, recycling collection has expanded to include plastics #1 - #7, as opposed to #1 & #2 only. Also, construction and demolition material has been completely banned.

During the first half of FY07, trash tonnage fell by 7%, and recycling increased by 13%. The numbers still continue to fall /rise respectively.

WASTEWATER DIVISION (AWPAF)





The Wastewater Division operates and maintains the Amesbury Water Pollution Abatement Facility (AWPAF) and fifty-five (55) miles of gravity sewerage collection system mains throughout the city. In addition, the collection system includes twenty-six (26) pumping stations and more than fifty (50) household grinder pumps. These mechanical systems convey sewerage from low lying areas to the gravity system and ultimately to the AWPAF for treatment and disposal. These systems are also operated and maintained by the Wastewater Division.

The Wastewater Division also administers an Industrial Pretreatment Program (IPP) as part of its compliance procedures to fulfill its obligations under National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit number MA0101745.

Under this program, the city permits the discharge of industrial process wastewater to the AWPAF in order to enforce not only locally imposed limitations, but also federal guidelines. An industrial sampling and inspection program is conducted by the IPP Coordinator throughout the year.

The Wastewater Division is also responsible to respond to any reports of sewer main blockages and breaks. If possible, the sewer main jetter is used to clear blockages in the system. However, to resolve more difficult situations the staff may be required to dig the obstruction and/or break. Plant staff responded to 100 callouts during the past year.

The expansion and upgrade of the AWPAF for both hydraulic capacity and mechanical equipment capability has been deemed substantially complete. This upgrade will expand the facility from 1.9 million gallons a day (MGD) to 2.4 MGD with a peak flow capacity of 8.4 MGD, increased from 6.1 MGD. This increase in capacity should address the concerns with the AWPAF's operation during wet weather conditions. The WWTP treated 708 million gallons for the year.

At this point in time, although all major components are functional and online, plant staff continues to appropriately adjust these components to satisfy the needs of plant operations.

Additionally, the AWPAF staff and M&E are developing a plan to control and reduce I&I in the system as required by the NPDES permit. AWPAF staff has identified areas throughout the city which are in need of repairs and/or replacement by use of TV camera inspection, dye testing, flow gauging and smoke testing.

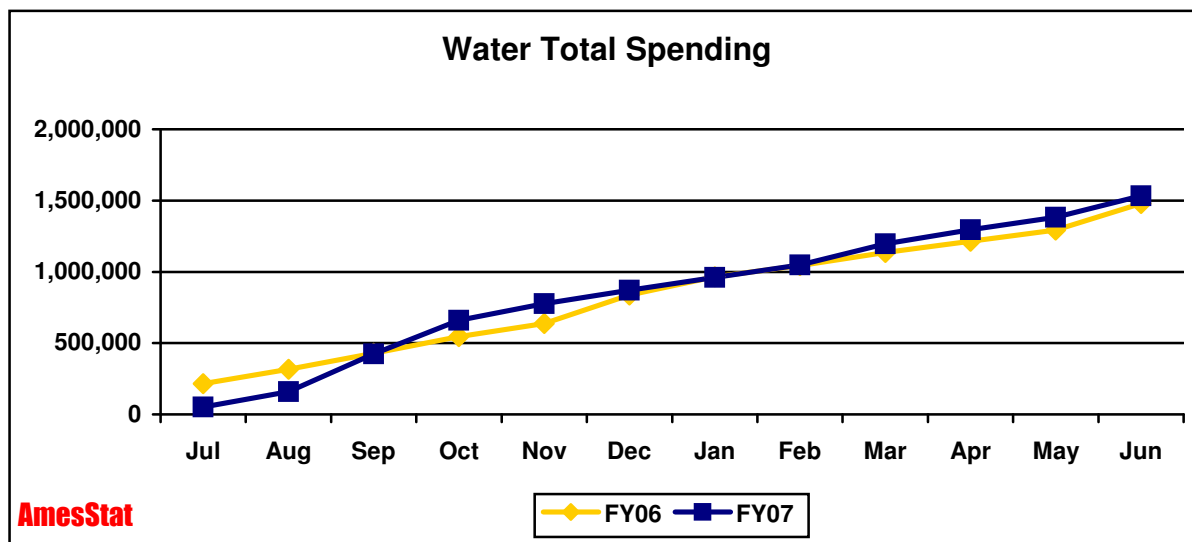
During the spring of 2006 the plant staff, thru dye testing, identified a major storm water trunk line connected to the sewer collection system. Plant staff will be metering both dry and wet weather flows from this connection to determine the amount of inflow entering the treatment plant via this connection. Once this amount is determined, plant staff will redirect the flow from this connection to the appropriate storm water disposal main. Plant staff plan to redirect this storm drain during the fall of 2007.

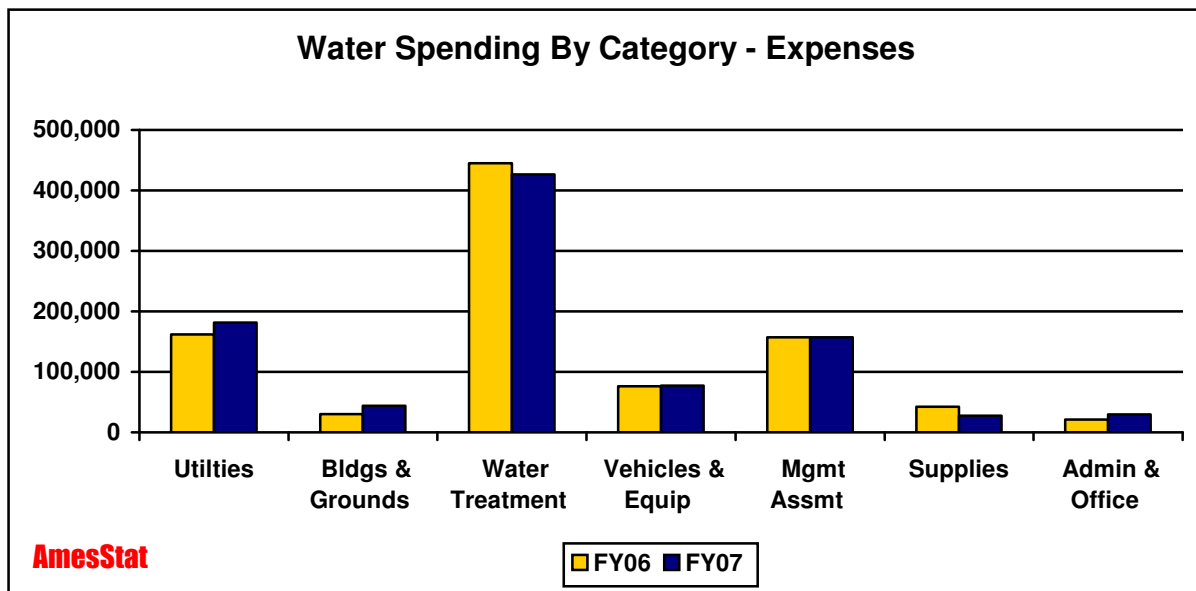
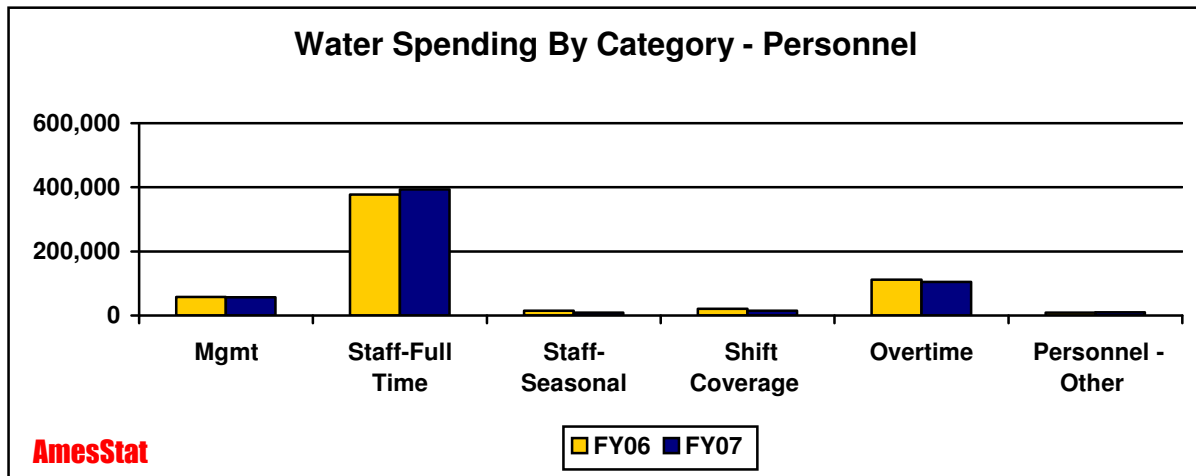
I&I removal continued during 2006 with the identification and elimination of roof drains and sump pumps connected to the collection system. Major removal projects included the replacement of approximately 50 feet of eight inch sewer main on Market Street.

The completion of this project removed in the order of 35,000 gallons per day of inflow to the system. This equated to the addition of 7,000 gallons of flow to the City's sewer bank.

In conclusion, with the ongoing construction of new sewer mains in the City's streets and continued work with the new plant and its' systems, the AWPAF staff expect another busy year ahead of them.

WATER DIVISION (Water Maintenance Division and Water Treatment Plant)





Water Treatment Plant

Amesbury's watershed consists of 55 square miles, of which most resides in New Hampshire. Tuxbury Pond supplies the Powwow River with the City's major source of water, supplemented by Lake Attitash and Meadowbrook. The Water Treatment Plant (WTP) was constructed in 1963 as a pre-treatment facility. An intake structure was constructed in 1964 in the Powwow River. In 1985 a full conventional surface water treatment plant was constructed to meet demand and quality issues. Two (2) groundwater wells supplement the City's demand by pumping directly to the treatment plant for processing. The wells are used only during drought conditions due to high levels of iron and manganese.

The Water Treatment Plant treats the water to make sure it is a potable water source for commercial and domestic use. The Water Treatment Plant, permitted through the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), supplies the Town of Amesbury with 1.73 million gallons of water per day, 84 miles of water mains, 645 fire hydrants and one (1) active water tower used

to store 2 million gallons. Water is tested at regular intervals for internal monitoring and DEP requirements. Samples from eight (8) designated locations are collected and tested for coliform bacteria in compliance with strict Drinking Water Regulations of Massachusetts and the Safe Drinking Water Act (all sampling during FY07 tested negative for bacteria). Testing is also completed once every three (3) years at selected locations to test for lead and copper and staff also oversees the Cross Connection Control Program. A retrofit of a major system (Sedimentation Basin) at the Treatment Facility was performed in-house by Water Dept. personnel. The twenty year plus process had deteriorated to the point where water quality was beginning to be jeopardized, especially during summer months. The work proved to be very successful and the new Sedimentation Basins are producing high quality water.

In Gallons	FY06	FY07
Highest Amount of Water Pumped from River in 1 Day	2,615,851	2,843,674
Highest Amount of Water Pumped to the city in 1 Day	2,490,869	2,618,680
Average Water Pumped to the city in 1 Day	1,435,486	1,462,464
Highest Amount of Water Pumped to the city in 1 Week	13,3991,072	15,029,581
Highest Amount of Water Pumped to the city in 1 Month	54,478,297	55,931,290
Total Water Pumped to the city for Fiscal Year	525,387,798	533,799,256

Work Performed by Water Treatment Plant Staff:

	FY06	FY07
Dry Tons of Sludge Removal	102	150
Bacteria Tests	327	346
Cubic Feet of Bioluminous from Carbon Change	1,450	1,450
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- Sedimentation Basin Retrofit = Dec 2006 – Jan 2007
- Tour performed for 100 Elementary School Students = November 2006
- Pilot Plant Study (Winter Phase) = March 2007
- Consumer Confidence Report = June 2007
- High Reservoir Inspection and Cleaning = September 2006
- Hydrant Flushing = Fall (Oct 2006) and Spring (April 2007)
- Cross Connection Inspections = 209

Water Maintenance Division

Water Maintenance staff respond to service calls, repair curb and water control boxes, read approximately 5,500 water meters twice a year (plus final readings for home purchases), install and replace water meters, take water samples for quality testing, perform hydrant maintenance, maintain and update water control valve location documents, investigate all water bill complaints (billing is twice per year), perform markout services for contractors and utility companies and assists Engineering and other DPW divisions. The Water Maintenance staff continues to give high priority to the leak detection program by investigating reported water leaks and repairing them as soon as possible.

Work performed by the Water Maintenance Division

	FY06	FY07
New Water Main Installed (in linear feet)	2,539	300
New Hydrants Installed	8	5
New Water Services Installed	29	12
Repaired Sewer Service	2	2
Repaired Water Breaks	8	25
Repaired Hydrants	12	30
Tons of Asphalt Used in Repair Trenches	800	300

- Flushed hydrants twice per year
- Loam and seed areas disturbed by water installations
- Assist Highway Division with snow removal
- Assisted Pilot Plant mobilization and de-mobilization
- Assist in Lagoon cleaning

AMESBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Amesbury Public Schools' Mission Statement

"The Amesbury School District is unconditionally committed to every child, ensuring that all students experience success through the development of attitudes and skills necessary for lifelong learning by providing the highest quality staff, meaningful learning experiences, and a vitally involved community."

Introduction

The 2006-2007 school year was one of great challenges and great opportunities. The greatest challenge facing the public schools was financial. The district continues to struggle with inadequate state funding, increased fixed costs (i.e. energy, insurance and benefits), escalation in unfunded mandates (ex/ Special Education costs, NCLB) and an ever greater reliance on the property tax to fund public education. These factors have led to reduced staff positions, increased class size, postponed curriculum and instructional supply purchases, modified capital expenditures and an inability to address all the objectives of the district's newly revised strategic plan. In spite of these limitations, students, staff, parents and the community have remained committed to the continued school improvement initiatives that will help this district's evolution from a good school system into a great one.

Strategic Plan

The first and most significant task of the 2006-2007 school year was creating a new Strategic Plan that will guide the work of all schools and departments for the next 5 years. For two days in August 2006 twenty-five parents, teachers, students, community members and administrators reviewed the accomplishments of the previous strategic plan and current district needs to identify the areas needing the greatest attention and focus in the coming years. The following three goals were accepted by the School Committee in September.

- **Achievement/Academic Excellence-** To structure our teaching strategies and resources for students to meet or exceed grade level expectations.
- **Communication/Collaboration-** To promote partnerships which foster effective communication and active involvement in collaboration with the Amesbury community.
- **Organizational Development -** To attract, retain and develop the highest quality workforce.

Student Achievement

The true measure of a school system is its students. This school year our students have continued to make significant gains in academic achievement. As a district we have continued to meet or exceed the federal requirement for "adequate yearly progress." An ever increasing percentage of students are scoring in the advanced and proficient ranges on MCAS, while far fewer students are scoring in the failing category. SAT and Advanced Placement scores have also realized significant gains. In addition, data collected as part of our local assessments have indicated steady progress. All students who met the local requirements for graduation from Amesbury High School also achieved the MCAS competency determination for graduation. At the Academy for Strategic Learning all eligible students also met this standard. In addition, the percentage of students pursuing a college education after graduation continues to increase.

Amesbury High School Building Project

Thanks to the diligent work of the Amesbury School Building Committee there has been significant progress on the project. While the change in general contractor has resulted in some time lost in the short term, the long term goals of accelerating the pace of the project and completing the project by August '08 have been enhanced. Grade 9 students have been housed at Amesbury Middle School while grades 10 – 12 continued to occupy the original part of the high school for most of the '06-'07 school year. Students moved into the new addition and newly renovated spaces included in Phase I of the project after the spring vacation. On April 22, 2007, an Open House was held for the newly completed addition. Hundreds of people, both young and old, came to see the new state of the art facility. For many it was a trip down memory lane and an occasion to reminisce about days gone by. For all it was a chance to celebrate and appreciate the educational opportunities afforded by this new facility for future generations of students at Amesbury High School.

Curriculum Report 2006-2007

The teachers and administrators in Amesbury engaged in various new, as well as, continuing curriculum and professional development initiatives this year.

This was the second year of implementation for both the Supervision and Evaluation tool and the Professional Development model. These two initiatives recognize that everyone in the school department is a life-long learner and also has expertise that can benefit others in the community. A survey of teachers and administrators in June showed that 91% of those completing the survey agreed that: *The professional development model establishes a process for continuous staff improvement that fosters research and development, innovation and creativity.* The curriculum director in collaboration with teachers and administrators will use the comments and requests to continue to make improvements to our professional development offerings in order to meet the diverse needs of staff across the district.

The following highlights the work of district wide curriculum committees and initiatives for the 2006-2007 school year.

- Math Assessment Team (MAT) worked between Jan-June 2007 to create specific recommendations in the areas of time on learning, essential outcomes by grade, instructional pacing/consistency and assessment. MAT is developing an assessment calendar which will include times for common scoring and/or analysis.
- Writing Assessment Team (WAT) began the development of a database to collect and compare student achievement over time using internal and externally developed assessments. WAT Common Scoring teams expanded to include math and science writing, the purpose and benefit of common scoring of student work was renewed K-12.
- Elementary Literacy Team conducted two Book Groups and facilitated professional development offerings that emphasized how to improve student achievement in the area of nonfiction reading and writing instruction.
- AMS Teachers worked with a consultant from the Center for Applied Child Development at Tufts University to incorporate instruction of reading strategies into content area classes.
- AMS Reading Specialist provided PD for grade 5 teachers to foster reading instruction best practices.

- John Collins visited the district to discuss changes in the writing program and ways to strengthen writing achievement across the district. This work is continuing with a summer graduate course offering.
- The focus of Leadership Team readings and discussions for 2006-2007 emphasized improved student achievement and creating an environment where “Failure is Not An Option”.
- The district began the process to plan for a tuition based, 5 week summer school program for students currently enrolled in grades 2-8 to increase proficiency in literacy and mathematics. This was not implemented due to budget constraints.
- Implementation of the social competency program *Second Step* Pre-K-4.
- The Science and Social Studies Committees worked throughout the school year to complete the K-12 curriculum revisions. Each committee was comprised of 25 teachers who contributed substantial time and energy which is evident in the high quality of the completed documents. School committee approved both documents in June.
- Full implementation of DIBELS (Dynamic Indicator of Early Literacy Skills) assessment and progress monitoring K-2, will be implemented in grade 3 in 2007-2008.
- Each school utilized a new template for School Improvement Plans which identify areas of strength and areas of growth in ELA and Math.
- Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Teachers prepared for the NAEYC Accreditation which requires careful examination of current teaching practices.
- In July 2006 a team of teachers and administrators were invited to participate in the Gateway Initiative at the Museum of Science. This team has carefully examined the Amesbury Public Schools’ implementation of the Technology/ Engineering frameworks from the state and has created action plans to make Amesbury a leader in this area in the years to come.

A great deal of work has been accomplished in all subject areas this year; we look forward to continuing this work next year. Research has shown that the most important factor affecting individual student success in schools is the classroom teacher (Marzano, Pickering& Pollock, 2001). From this year’s professional development survey 88% of Amesbury staff agreed that: *Professional Development activities often result in changes in classroom practices focused on improving student progress.* Our goal is that in the future all teachers will be able to agree with this statement and that as a district we will be able to provide the needed professional development activities for our staff to meet their needs as an educator and the needs of the children in their classrooms.

Amesbury Elementary School

This year marked a transition as Amesbury Elementary School bid farewell to Gail Korpusik and welcomed Walter Helliesen as principal. He was joined by eight new members of the professional staff as the school continued its mission of encompassing the whole child. The School Council began the daunting task of updating the school site plan and firmly established a foundation for providing direction for the next several years.

AES students were very active in a variety of activities this year. They demonstrated their caring for their city by filling a huge sleigh with canned and boxed goods which were donated to Our Neighbor’s Table and Pettengill House. They also raised over \$3,400 for the American Cancer Society through our “Mini Relay for Life”. Students demonstrated sound minds and sound bodies through our “Fit and Lit Program” and showed their artistic side through Art Club

and the “Duck Stamp Program”. Fourth graders led the way in recycling and under the direction of Suzanne Morin put on an amazing original production of Mrs. Kittfield’s Boarding House. Our Destination Imagination team earned their way to Worcester for the state competition. Fourth graders started jumping rope before school on Thursday mornings and organized and led our Spotlight Assemblies. The first annual George McNeil Leadership Awards were presented in honor of a man who stepped up and made a difference in Amesbury in the mills as a protest to unfair labor practices. We began a “North Star Recognition Program” designed to highlight those students in grades K - 4 who led the way by demonstrating positive attitudes and behavior while making positive choices and 3rd and 4th graders took leadership roles as hall monitors before and after school.

Amesbury Elementary School is the home of a new PC lab which saw lots of use this year from both students and staff. We are able to offer on-line assessments to give students and teachers immediate feedback on their growth. Third grade teachers introduced the new “Reading Street Program” to their students and AES teachers combined with their CES counterparts to closely examine our math curriculum to identify the essential student outcomes at each grade level.

Our families were very involved in our programs this year with volunteers logging hundreds of hours in our classrooms and on field trips. The Elementary PTA continued to sponsor a wide variety of in-school programming ranging from music to physical science to puppetry. We are very thankful for the support from our community and continue to welcome ideas for ways to increase this important partnership.

Congratulations go to three AES teachers who were selected by their peers as “Teacher Excellence” recipients: Barbara Bailey, Marianne Curry, and Mappy Gray. Thank you to Lois McNulty who is retiring after 20 years of service to the Amesbury Public Schools. And thank you to the girls and boys who bring enthusiasm and joy into each day at Amesbury Elementary School.

Cashman Elementary School

As the students left the Cashman School on June 19th for their summer vacation, I reflected on another terrific year in education as we closed the book on the 2006-2007 school year! The students continued their focused work with the 2007 Scott Foresman “Reading Street Program”, the intensive classroom reading intervention, the “Anna Plan”, at the kindergarten, first, and second grade levels, the “Everyday Learning Mathematics Program”, and new Science and Social Studies curriculum revised by Amesbury’s teachers at the local level. We are excited to note the ongoing work of teachers on District Curriculum Committees, and my colleague, Mr. Helliesen, the Principal of Amesbury Elementary School, and I are looking forward to the collaborative work of the elementary school teachers on best practices in the teaching of Mathematics next year. Once again this year, we were pleased to articulate a Cashman School Achievement Action Plan that was accepted by the School Committee, and that served as the guiding light for our work with children throughout 2006-2007. With the support of our very active Parent Teacher Association (PTA) and the Amesbury Educational Foundation, Inc. (AEFI), we were able to offer all Cashman School children continued educational excellence. Imagine our delight to have two AEFI Grants awarded to the Cashman School this year, first with the “Poster Outreach Project” written by Technology Specialist, Leslie Barnaby and second grade teacher, Peg Laufer, in the amount of \$2,357, and then with

the “Enhancing Instruction, Assessment, and Learning in Mathematics” grant written by second grade teachers, Beth Cavalier and Karen Iworsky, Technology Specialist, Leslie Barnaby, and Technology Consultant, Kathy Fowler, in the amount of \$3651.90! What wonderful support these grant awards will offer students as they learn at CES!

The 2006-2007 Cashman School year found students, staff and faculty, and families enjoying the third and final year of our relationship with the Global Institute for Student Aspirations, focusing our efforts on the realization of the eight conditions for student aspirations. Happily, this three year partnership has seen Cashman School students realizing their hopes and dreams as they celebrate a sense of belonging, heroes, a sense of accomplishment, fun and excitement, curiosity and creativity, a spirit of adventure, leadership and responsibility, and the confidence to take action. In addition to the ‘rich’ learning enjoyed by students during the school day as exhibited through the fourth grade Wax Museum, the third grade Rocks and Minerals Show, the preschool and kindergarten work with the National Association of the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), and the many educational offerings during March as Literacy Month, the Cashman School continues to offer children outstanding extra-curricular opportunities such as the Chess Club, the Third and Fourth Grade Chorus, the Student Council, and the Computer Club. Further, this year the annual “Shining Stars Talent Show” was a rousing success, and the school community’s end-of-the-year participation in the Junior Relay for Life to benefit the American Cancer Society realized an amazing \$3430.26 in donations!

Finally, while we were proud to have third grade teacher, Janet Claffey, honored as one of the “2007 Teacher Excellence Award” recipients at the year’s end, it was with a heavy heart that the Cashman School students, staff and faculty, and families said thank you and farewell to four retiring teachers, kindergarten teacher, Ginny Flanagan, first grade teachers, Kathy Corriveau and Cathie Eddy, and fourth grade teacher, Jim Cassidy. These fine professionals have given a combined one hundred thirty-seven years of service to the students and families of the Amesbury Public School System, and we wish them all happiness, good health, and exciting new opportunities in their well-deserved retirement! Remembering that as one door closes, another door opens, we anticipate the 2007-2008 year by welcoming children back to Cashman School on September 5th, along with the new employees who will carry on the fine educational tradition of our four retirees.

Amesbury Middle School

I would like to dedicate this year’s annual report to seventh grade student Lucy Grogan who for the past four years struggled with cancer and sadly succumbed to the disease in July prior to the beginning of the 2006 – 2007 school year. Her spirit lives on through her family and friends that she touched and inspired for the twelve years of her life. As a small tribute this year’s Amesbury Middle School yearbook is dedicated to the memory of Lucy Grogan.

On September 23, 2006, AMS sixth grade teacher, Gale Regis, received a \$10,000.00 one time grant from AEFI. This grant funding allows AMS students to participate in the Boston College Educational Seismology Project. The project brings a portable seismograph to the school so students can study daily seismic activity locally and around the world. In addition, students have the opportunity to work with professional seismologists and volcanists. Gale was the recipient of this grant due to unique learning experiences that her proposal would be

able to bring to the students of the Amesbury Middle School as well as to the community at large.

In September, Amesbury Middle School in cooperation with an academic support company, JFY Network, was able to expand the number of site licenses from 20 to 30 in the AMS Math Learning Lab. AMS and JFY Networks have formed a partnership to address the academic needs of students. The acquisition of these five additional sites will allow more students to gain access to the PLATO software for strengthening student mathematic skills. The PLATO software program is an individualized tutorial approach tailored to the current ability of each student. Additionally, Peter Nelson, JFY math consultant, has brought elements of this program into the regular classroom setting for teachers to use within their daily mathematics lessons.

The AMS Student Council Program continues to support those within the community who need assistance. In November, the student council organized our school wide food drive for Pettengill House. Over 3000 items were brought in by students and staff members in support of this humanitarian effort. Additionally, in December, the Student Council organized the "Holiday Gift Giving Program" which provides gifts to those children in the community who need assistance. Once again, students and staff came together to contribute to this wonderful program. The Student Council Advisor, Mr. Stan Froncki, and the students that make up the AMS Student Council are to be commended for their efforts. AMS in partnership with the Amesbury Police Department and The Council on the Aging sponsored a holiday breakfast and concert for the senior citizens of Amesbury on December 8, 2006. Over 70 senior citizens attended this annual event.

On February 9, 2007 Amesbury Middle School Parent Advisory Group (PAG) sponsored the second annual AMS Teacher Idol Quest. This was a fundraising event for PAG, which involved members of the AMS staff karaoke singing some of their favorite songs. The front half of the AMS Performance Center was sold out. All 350 parents/guardians and students were entertained by 26 different AMS teachers and administrators. Many thanks goes to Mrs. Mansfield, Mrs. Becotte, Mrs. Elfiki, and Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Chaurette for judging this very talented group, the host, Mr. Smith, PAG parent coordinator, Mrs. Shirshac, Mr. O'Connor for developing and producing this idea, and all of the teachers and administrators who bravely performed before parents/guardians and students.

Back in the fall, AMS was randomly selected as well as other schools across the state and the country to participate in this year's Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS) testing. In order to better understand how our students' knowledge in mathematics and science compares to that of their peers in other countries, the Massachusetts Board of Education voted unanimously in August to support the state's participation in the 2007 TIMSS. Massachusetts is one of only two states in the country to step forward and volunteer to participate as a "nation". The state-level results that Massachusetts will receive from the 2007 TIMSS will provide us with the first trend results since 1999, when Massachusetts last participated as a "nation" in TIMSS. Eighth-grade students participated in a 90-minute test and answered a 30-minute questionnaire in math and science on May 11, 2007.

On March 21, 2007, the AMS Music and Art Departments hosted the annual "A Night of Jazz and Art" for the community. This event featured the talents of the Amesbury Middle School

Jazz Band Ensemble and the AMS Melody Chorus group as well as the music of professional jazz artists J. Geils ensemble. Prior to the musical performances, community artists and AMS student artists displayed their talents through an Art Show.

On April 7th & 8th the AMS Drama Club produced the musical “Guys and Dolls, Jr.” under the direction of parent, Mary Ellen Shirshac, and numerous parent and guardian volunteers as well as AMS teachers. Over 50 fifth through eighth grade students participated in the production of “Guys and Dolls, Jr.” Community members were exposed to two enjoyable evenings of the show. On April 24th and 25th, students in grades five through eight were honored for their academic achievements at the annual “Celebration of Academic Excellence”. At the end of each marking term 32 students are selected for our “Student of the Quarter Breakfast Celebration”. Hockmeyer Studios continues to donate to the school a framed picture of each student selected for each of the four quarters.

This year AMS had a variety of teachers who were honored for their hard work and dedication for children. On May 3rd, the following AMS teachers were honored by their peers at the annual “Teacher Excellence Awards”. The following AMS teachers were honored: Gale Regis (6th grade teacher), Anita Marsh (6th grade teacher), Charles Glaubitz (special education teacher), and Tim Angerhofer (8th grade teacher). On May 11th AMS teachers Ken Parkinson, Ann Bartkiewicz, Laura Mirandi, Catherine Hill, and Gale Regis were awarded three separate innovative AEFI grants for Art Technology, Seismology Project, and First Aid. All of these educators’ efforts will provide innovative, unique, and supportive learning opportunities for middle school students. On May 30, 2007, Amesbury Middle School and the Amesbury School district attended an awards celebration at the State House hosted by JFY NetWorks. This award was a result of all of the continued hard work the school and school district put forth in expanding the math learning lab for students. This award could not have been achieved without the support of the following people: Dr. Charles Chaurette, Superintendent of Schools, Cindy Yetman, Technology Coordinator, Telena Imel, Curriculum Director, Sam Bragg, Learning Lab Tutor, Sandy Swart, AMS Assistant Principal, and Peter Nelson, JFY NetWorks consultant. This was a district effort in providing students educational assistance in the area of math. On May 31, 2007, eighth grade students Molly Silvia and Summer Morrill were selected as “AMS Scholar Leaders” and attended a dinner and award ceremony in Worcester, MA at the DCU Center.

AMS hosted the annual Volunteer Breakfast to honor the volunteers who give their time so freely to the Amesbury Middle School students and staff. Staff members brought in home-baked goodies to help make it an even more special event. Each volunteer was presented with a certificate of appreciation.

Finally, I want to pay special tribute to three outstanding AMS teachers who will be retiring at the end of the 2006 – 2007 school year. Mrs. Maureen Donahue (AMS fifth grade teacher), Mrs. Karen Jenkins (AMS adjustment counselor), and Mrs. Sheila Taplin (AMS seventh grade teacher) will be missed by administration, students and staff. Each one of these teachers has spent all of their educational careers with the children of Amesbury. Collectively, they have 73 years of educational experience. The school will miss each one of these fine individuals who have provided students, staff, and administration with many wonderful memories. They will forever be a part of the Amesbury Middle School community. Thank you and enjoy this new stage of your lives.

Amesbury High School

The AHS Weekly continued to publish its paper on a weekly basis throughout the school year. The online version can be accessed each Friday on the school website (www.ahsweekly.org). The fifth annual "Back to School Night" was held for grades 10-12 at the high school and for grade 9 at the middle school. This event took place the night before school opened and was attended by over 800 parents and students. This event continues to be an excellent introduction to the school year for both parents and students.

Phase I of the high school project has been completed. The Amesbury High School Building Committee hosted an open house that was well attended. Castagna Construction has been hired to oversee Phase 2 of the project. The projected project completion date is the summer of 2008.

Seventeen students from the AHS class of 2006 qualified for the Advanced Placement (AP) Scholar Award. Almost 18% of the one million high school students who took AP Exams performed at a sufficiently high level to merit recognition of the AP Scholar. Five AHS students qualified for the AP Scholar Award by completing three or more AP Examinations with grades of three or higher. Six students qualified for the AP Scholar with Honor Award by earning a grade of at least 3.25 on all AP Exams taken and grades 3 or higher on four or more of these exams. Six students qualified for the AP Scholar with Distinction by earning an average grade of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams.

Chemistry teacher, Nina Tassinari, was honored by the North Shore Science Supervisors Association by being named Exemplary Science Teacher. Mrs. Tassinari saved the school system hundreds of dollars by working with the Environmental Protection Agency in moving hazardous materials from the old science department into our new wing. She also continues to serve on all of the science curriculum committees.

Senior Tim Scanlon received an honorable mention for his essay entitled "What Is My Role In Promoting Sportsmanship?" Students throughout the state submitted essays for consideration by the MIAA (Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association) Sportsmanship Committee. He was one of 44 students who were recognized and published in the MIAA publication – *Sportsmanship: A Game Plan for Life Volume VI*.

Sophomore Misty Stimson won the Gold Key award, which is the highest prize, in the annual Boston Globe Scholastic Art Awards competition. Senior Heather Stanley received an honorable mention. Stimson submitted a black and white photographic print, while Stanley submitted a mixed media self-portrait.

Amesbury High School has continued its online partnership with Massachusetts state colleges online. This partnership gives our students access to over 700 online college courses in the Massachusetts state college system. We had 60+ students participate in our Northern Essex Community College courses for the 2006-07 school year. These courses allow our students to

earn college credit while still enrolled in the high school. Amesbury High School is one of five high schools in our state offering this program.

For the fifth consecutive year, our MCAS scores showed solid improvement. On the English test, 96% of our students passed compared to a state average of 93%. We had more students score in the "Advanced" and "Proficient" categories. This year 79% scored in these top categories as opposed to 75% last year. In mathematics, 95% passed compared to a state average of 88%. More students scored in the "Proficient" and "Advanced" categories this year as compared to last year. This year 81% scored in the top categories as opposed to 67% last year. These improvements were made in spite of decreasing state funding levels.

One hundred and fifty-five seniors graduated in our high school gymnasium. They received over \$83,400 in scholarship awards and performed just over 26,000 hours of community service. Seventy-three percent of the senior class participated in some co-curricular activity during their school years. The Class of 2007 had 61% accepted at four year colleges, 33% accepted at two year schools, and 9% went to work.

The Boys' Track 4 x 100 relay team of Kevin Johnston, Andrew Bibeau, Ryan Moore and Ryan Johnston broke the Cape Ann League (CAL) record, as well as the school record with a time of 44.3 seconds at the CAL Meet this year.

Our Ice Hockey and Girls Tennis teams won the CAL Sportsmanship Awards. Our field hockey, softball and baseball teams participated in state tournament play. The AHS Math Team defended their title and repeated as champions in the Tri-State Math League. Several of our athletic participants were named to All-league, All-star, and State All-Scholastic teams. We had 450 students participating in at least one sport this past school year, 71 participating in three sports and nearly 200 students were active in at least one co-curricular activity.

School District Technology

A three-year plan to upgrade our computer equipment was initiated successfully in 2006-2007. Unfortunately, funding for year two was deleted from the 2007-2008 budget, but we still are in much better shape than we were one year ago. Representatives from all schools and departments participated, over the first half of the year, in a thorough review of student information system software. The last few months have been spent in moving data from several individual student and staff databases into an integrated one offered by X2 Software, a Hanover, Massachusetts firm. All pertinent staff received training in the new system, which will be in place for the 2007-2008 year.

Academy of Strategic Learning

Last summer, after serving as interim principal, Donna Georges was appointed as the principal of the Academy of Strategic Learning. It has been a full and successful year with much credit going to the school's dedicated team of new and returning staff.

Joining us this year was Diane Milley as our Special Education teacher. Peg Nickless Troyli who had tutored ELA in the 04-05 school year returned to the same position. Andrew Murray moved up from permanent substitute teacher to teach Math and Donna Woodsom came on board during the latter part of the year as a one-on-one teacher's aide.

The procurement of a competitive \$10,500 “Learn and Serve America” federal grant by humanities teacher Carol Grosky, afforded students the opportunity to participate in community projects. In keeping with the theme “Think Globally, Act Locally,” projects included focusing on Amesbury’s waterways, incorporating a visit to the water treatment plant and a storm drain project. Working with Town Engineer Rob Desmarais, students launched a campaign to increase public awareness about the dangers of dumping trash and chemicals in storm drains. The grant also funded flower planting around the city and building bird houses which were donated to Camp Kent.

Local mosaic artist Leslie Doherty instructed students in the art of creating mosaic designs out of cut glass. In May, four Academy students received 1st and 2nd place ribbons for the designs they submitted to the Amesbury Cultural Council’s annual Youth Art Show in the upper Millyard. Their work will be displayed this fall in a juried art show at the Somerville Museum.

Other grant-funded activities included Tai Chi at Great Bay Tai Chi in Amesbury, visits to the BodyWorlds II exhibit at the Museum of Science in Boston, the Peabody Essex Museum in Salem and outings to various local cemeteries as part of a history class.

For the third year in a row, our annual Father & Daughter Dance fundraiser was held at the Cashman School in May. Girls in grades K through 12 and the significant men in their lives enjoyed a tropical-themed evening complete with DJ and refreshments. The event raised approximately \$7,000 to help fund Academy programs and much needed classroom materials.

Eight seniors graduated from the Academy on June 3, 2007. Post graduate plans include two students attending Northern Essex Community College, one attending Elizabeth Grady School in Medford, another student training as an x-ray technician at Southern Maine Community College in Portland and one student traveling to Universal Technical Institute in South Carolina. Scholarships awarded to graduates totaled \$4,000 and included the Amesbury Health Care Charitable Trust, Judith Doyle Memorial, Elks Club and Amesbury Rotary Club scholarships. Seniors enjoyed a class trip to Boston for dinner at Fire and Ice followed by a performance of Blue Man Group.

Thank you for your continued support of our school.

School Health Services Report 2006-2007

The practice of school nursing began in the United States on October 1, 1902 when the initial role of the school nurse was to reduce absenteeism related to communicable disease. While the school nurse’s role has expanded greatly, the essence of the practice remains the same. The school nurse supports student success by providing healthcare assessment, intervention, and follow-up for all children within the school setting.

Although traditional childhood diseases have diminished, new health problems that have a negative influence on student achievement and success have emerged. New technologies and treatments in health care make it possible for students with chronic health conditions to attend school and participate in the regular education classroom. Examples of chronic health conditions include, but are not limited to, asthma, diabetes and allergies, including life-threatening allergies, cardiac conditions, genetic disorders, cancer, orthopedic disorders,

seizure disorders, and mental health conditions. The school nurse makes an essential contribution to the emotional climate within the educational environment.

This year, the Amesbury Public School Nurses assessed 289 students, on a daily basis, with “chronic care needs.”

The number of children, who visited the health room at least once this school year, was 1991. In total, the nurses conducted in excess of 38,000 student health care assessments. Of that total, 24,000 evaluations resulted in actions allowing the student to return to the classroom. The nursing staff also provided 400 health care assessments of the teaching/administrative staff. Healthy teachers/administrators are integral to a child’s successful education.

Amesbury’s school nurses have been supplemented by a Massachusetts Department of Public Health grant that has enabled them to enhance the quality of the health services. Amesbury is fortunate to have at least one school nurse per building. Each nurse is, at a minimum, baccalaureate prepared in their education. Currently, two nurses are nationally certified in school nursing. The middle school has additional nursing support due to the size of the student body.

Healthy children are successful learners. The school nurse has a multi-faceted role within the school setting, one that supports the physical, mental, emotional, and social health of students and their success in the learning process.

CEMETERY COMMISSION

In the first year of its formation the cemetery commission has meet at least once a month. We focused on writing cemetery rules. Rules of numerous communities, both in and out of state, were reviewed. We spoke with the DPW, and area funeral directors gathering information to incorporate into the final document. The final document was submitted to the council for review and voted on at the June 12th, 2007 meeting. The committee continues to meet monthly and hopes to continue to work to ensure that the cemeteries are well kept and as self sufficient as possible

CULTURAL COUNCIL

The Amesbury Cultrual Council has had a full complement of 12 members. Joanna Hammond ended a term as Chairman and Amy Sherwood and Sue Earabino took over as co-chairs. Joanna Hammond became the Treasurer and Eileen Dougherty is Secretary.

Our mission is to distribute funds given us each year by the Massachusetts Cultural Council for the purpose of promoting arts culture and humanities for the benefit of Amesbury residents. We publicize the grant application and selection process each fall and choose recipients at the end of each year.

For FY 2007 we received \$5380 from the Massachusetts Cultural Council. We received 29 applications for funding, and of these, we chose to fund or partially fund 19 applicants who were either individuals or organizations.

We also organized and sponsored the 10th Annual Open Studio Tour. In 2006, 65 artists took part in the tour, showing their work at 19 different locations.

We were eligible to apply to the Massachusetts Cultural Council for part of the annual funding. We were approved and received a grant of \$200 to promote music in the downtown. We used the grant to join with the Newburyport Savings Bank, Chase and Lunt Insurance Company and the Powow Grill as sponsors of the Downtown Music Series introduced in July 2007 in the amphitheater of the Upper Millyard.

HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Amesbury Housing Authority processed 85 new elderly applicants in the past 12 months for the 205 one-bedroom units. We have an expected waiting period of nine to twelve months before occupancy for these 205 units. Twenty-nine applicants were housed in the annual period ending June 30, 2006. There were 147 family Applications processed in the annual period ending June 30, 2006 for the 50 family units owned by the AHA. Six applicants were housed in the annual period ending June 30, 2006. The expected waiting period for these family applications is five to eight years.

The Amesbury HA 62-unit Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program is a federally-funded rental subsidy program which allows participants to reside in privately owned rental housing. The tenant pays 30% of their monthly income toward rent and utilities. The remainder is paid by the Housing Choice Voucher Program. This program pays out over \$580,000 each year in rental subsidies to local property owners. There is a new component to this Federal program that allows for the monthly rental subsidy to be applied toward home purchase for up to 10 years. The Amesbury Housing Authority Board has included authorization for the home purchase component in their current administrative policies. The AHA has implemented this new program and is providing housing funds to allow new home owners to subsidize their housing costs.

A total of 35 units were vacated, prepared for occupancy and re-rented by the AHA staff during the reporting period. Of that number, 29 one-bedroom units for the elderly/disabled and 6 multiple bedroom family units were turned over for re-rental.

The AHA owns 50 units of family housing located in three projects and containing 20 - 2BR, 24 - 3BR and 4 - 5BR units. A total of 100 children reside in these 50 units, making family housing and the creation of a good healthy environment a priority for the agency. To that end, the AHA has been working very closely with the family residents and the Amesbury Police Department to encourage cooperation and communication among neighbors and to demonstrate to all parties that a close working relationship exists between the Amesbury Police Department and the Amesbury Housing Authority.

The AHA also owns and manages 205 units of housing designed for the elderly and disabled. Many of the residents are now well over 80 years of age and are still able to care for themselves and maintain their independent life style. This fact has provided motivation to the AHA Board and staff to seek new programs and activities that will make the easier for our seniors and disabled residents to live in their apartments for as long as possible.

During the current annual reporting period beginning July 1, 2007, the Amesbury Housing Authority Board consisted of the following members: Bruce McNeely-Vice Chairman, (Mr. McNeely passed away on December 30, 2006. Lawrence Quinn - Vice Treasurer, Albert Landry and Phil Dandurant - members-at-large (terms began on August 2006). Mr. Mitchell (State appointee) passed away on Thursday November 17, 2005. The state appointee position has been vacant since then.

Supportive Housing Initiative Program

The AHA Board continues to bring many additional services for our residents who are over 60 years of age. For the last six years, the AHA has participated in a PILOT program prototype of the Supportive Housing Initiative Program. This program is funded through the Executive Office of Elder Affairs and brings an additional layer of services to the 156 residents of the Heritage Vale and Tower. These services include an after-hours support staff, nutritional programs, exercise and recreational programs. Meals are now available seven days a week for those Heritage Tower and Vale residents who wish to participate in the program. To accommodate this program the AHA upgraded the community kitchen at 180 Main St. in 2001 to meet the licensing requirements placed upon establishments which provide food in Amesbury. Key nutrition program volunteers are trained in "Food Safe" protocols to assure that meals are prepared and served with the highest possible level of safety.

The Amesbury Housing Authority Board is seeking new ways to develop more units of affordable housing for the Town of Amesbury. Many traditional sources of state funding which provided significant grants to the construction of affordable housing have diminished.

Community Involvement

Harborside Nursing Home Shows Great Community Spirit

The administration and staff of the Harborside Nursing Home on Morrill Court has brought a new level of caring and support to the residents of Heritage Tower & Vale. Since 2003, they continue to offer up to 50 meals to our residents on those State or Federal holidays when there is no scheduled nutrition program. The meals for the nutrition program are prepared at the Lawrence Vocational School kitchens. On those holidays when the kitchen is closed, the residents would not have an afternoon meal available. Many of the residents have participated in these nutrition programs. In addition to having a good source of nutritious food, the program also offers companionship and engagement.

The Harborside staff prepares, delivers and serve great meals to up to 50 residents on those days when the nutrition program is closed. Harborside donates the cost of providing these 50 meals and the \$2 paid by residents is given to the resident's association for the cost of activities.

A Tradition Continues on Memorial and Veteran's Days

The Amesbury Veteran's celebrated Veteran's Day a little differently this year. In addition to participating in the annual parade and commemorative services on Thursday November 11, 2004, and Memorial Day May 30th, they combined their resources and provided a very special Veteran's Day meal to the elderly residents of Heritage Tower on Main Street.

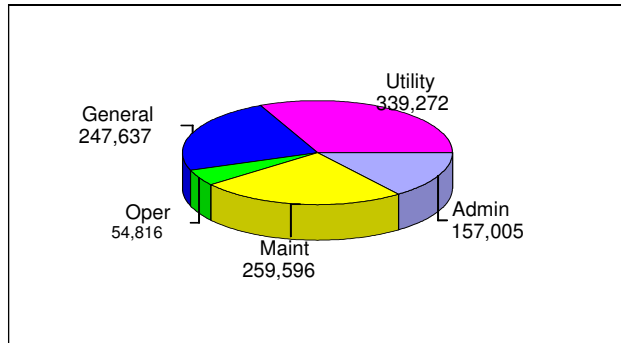
The meal was preceded by a brief ceremony to recognize the service of Amesbury veterans. A special cake was provided for dessert and all veterans, young and old were asked to participate in saluting the flag, and cutting and distribution of the cake.

Fifty residents enjoyed the meal consisting of lasagna, salad, bread and dessert. The meal was scheduled so that the residents of Heritage Tower and Vale could enjoy a nutritious meal on a day that the Merrimack Valley Nutrition Program was closed for the holiday. Many of the residents cannot get out to participate in the regular Veteran's Day fete. The celebration was such a success that the Veterans Groups hope to recreate this meal and celebration again next year. This entire celebration was conceived and organized by Amesbury Veterans' Agent, Ron Koontz.

The Veterans came back on Memorial Day 2006 and also provided the residents with lasagna, salad and dessert. They also had a small Memorial Day presentation for the residents. These programs have been very well received.

Amesbury Housing Authority

Expenses for FYE 9/20/2006



LAKES & WATERWAYS

The Commission has made many accomplishments within the past year and is eager to complete many more in the coming years.

The past year included many changes to membership and officers, within the Lakes and Waterways Commission. One full member decided to resign from the Commission while two members have been added. To date, the Commission has five members and three associate members. There still remains one associate member position open. In addition, the Commission elected a new chairman, vice chairman and secretary.

The Commission actively assisted the Town Engineer in the effort to meet the requirements of the Stormwater Regulations. In the Fall of 2006, members of the Commission conducted a pilot program to inspect stormwater outfalls to gauge the level of effort required to complete this work throughout the city. In the end, completing this work by volunteers was determined to be impossible. As a result, the city has hired a consultant fulfill these requirements.

At the beginning of every monthly meeting, the Town Engineer updates the Commission on waterway related activities including water level adjustments, stormwater improvements and maintenance, and many other ongoing efforts. The Commission attempts to provide full support to the Town Engineer in his efforts in preserving the Town's natural resources.

In June of 2007, the Lakes and Waterways Commission sponsored a Weed Watchers presentation which was conducted by the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation. This presentation brought together members of the Commission, watershed associations, and members of the community. The presentation focused on how to identify water body weed species and provided resources available in the effort control them.

The Commission's page on the Amesbury web site has been dramatically improved and includes information summarizing the efforts of the Commission and helpful information for

residents of the Town. This web page is continuously being updated and there are plans to add more information.

Occasionally, the Commission is asked to address resident concerns about waterways related issues. These are typically discussed at monthly meetings and as required, a prompt response is provided.

The Commission consistently reviews their Bylaws and has been successful in fulfilling the majority of the duties and responsibilities outlined. It is intent of the Commission to pursue more substantial projects which promote the preservation and use of Amesbury's lakes and waterways. The Commission plans to present a list of projects to the Mayor for consideration and financial support. We look forward to another productive year.

TREE BOARD

Amesbury Tree Planting – 2007

This project was done with all expenses paid for by donations procured by the Amesbury Tree Board. The Amesbury Department of Public Works dug holes and furnished wood chips.

The Amesbury Tree Board with the Amesbury Improvement Association wishes to acknowledge persons and groups responsible for planting over 250 trees in our city over Arbor Day. Major funding came from the Amesbury Improvement Association and the Newburyport Five Cents Savings Bank. Additional funding was donated by Bill and Bonnie Raynor, Jacqueline and Lewis Morton, Ray and Lucille Cynewski, Jennifer Sadinski, Margaret Stanley, David Cracel, Lisa Ann Carriggi and anonymous donors. Many thanks to the DPW for digging holes and furnishing mulch.

Volunteers who planted included Boy Scout Troop 7, led by Doug McBride, Mike Sanborn, Jim Danis, Dutch Dwight, and Chris Goulart. Scouts include Christina Boyle, Tim Dwight, Steve Goulart, Joe Macone, Ethan Sanborn, and Ryan Silva. This is the 4th year this troop has participated.

The Green Team from Unity on the River supplied 8 helpers. Others who planted include Joe and Teresa Kelleher, mark and Karen Hume, Joseph and Carol Finn, Marge and Hugh McCabe, Bill and Bonnie Raynor. Planting sites were:

- 90 shade and evergreen trees at Amesbury Elementary School
- 65 spruce and fir at Amesbury High School
- 38 evergreen and shade trees at Mount Prospect Cemetery
- 53 shade trees on Highland Street area
- 8 elm trees on Elm Street

We appreciate and wish to thank all who participated and hope we have not overlooked anyone. We are currently looking for persons willing to assist with maintenance and watering and are already planning for next year. Watch for information in the Daily News next year and join us in the fun.

Amesbury Salisbury Millyard project

First planting was done by Ryan Guilbault and the Greene Company. Plants were furnished by the Town.

On-going projects

The Amesbury Tree Board checks trees as requested by the Town for removal, pruning or assessment. We aid in poison ivy and weed control. We perform weed control in tree planters, brick walkways and curbing in the downtown. Amesbury is an 11 Year Tree City USA.

REPORT OF EMPLOYEE GROSS PAY

NAME	EARNINGS	NAME	EARNINGS
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Adams, Arnold Wayne	\$ 38,613.64	Burnham, Bonnie J.	\$ 23,506.00
Akbari, Behrooz	\$ 563.50	Bybee, Larry E.	\$ 70,689.95
Allard, Haley	\$ 2,577.77	Calderwood, Todd R.	\$ 50,994.88
Allen, Dorothy M	\$ 37,893.80	Carey, Dana	\$ 387.00
Almon, Danielle E.	\$ 1,060.50	Carey, Deborah A.	\$ 39,109.48
Amaral, Kendra L.	\$ 20,805.55	Cashman, Eileen C.	\$ 24,599.20
Ankiewicz, Katherine J	\$ 825.00	Cavanaugh, George T	\$ 91,283.03
Arnott, Crystal	\$ 22,660.70	Cena, John J.	\$ 3,001.38
Arsenault, Theresa E.	\$ 54,919.20	Chalifour, Tracey J.	\$ 225.00
Audy, Thomas J.	\$ 1,185.00	Champagne Jr., Denis A.	\$ 69,486.68
Ayotte, Jameson R.	\$ 66,657.01	Chaput, Glenn A	\$ 87,202.61
Babbin, Steven F.	\$ 4,305.00	Chatigny, Albert R	\$ 109,166.70
Bailey, Craig J.	\$ 76,688.76	Chatigny, Robert L	\$ 94,298.77
Bailey, Jackson	\$ 6,000.00	Clark, David	\$ 71,883.30
Baptiste, Joan E.	\$ 37,205.22	Clark, Jamie A.	\$ 62,026.35
Basque, Michael W.	\$ 90,800.02	Clark, Richard A	\$ 16,479.96
Basque, Nathan M.	\$ 4,960.00	Cloutier, Richard M.	\$ 138.78
Bateman Jr., James D.	\$ 55,529.65	Cloutier, Scott D.	\$ 64,534.43
Becotte, R. Shauna	\$ 56,392.00	Coco, Catherine	\$ 693.00
Bell, Dayle R.	\$ 9,979.64	Coker, Barry A.	\$ 8,749.11
Benevento, Charles	\$ 3,000.00	Cole, Erik J.	\$ 54,247.64
Benson, Roger	\$ 1,200.00	Collin, Kerri-Ann	\$ 8,689.92
Berry, Catherine L	\$ 500.00	Cook, Ingeborg	\$ 8,049.84
Bragg, Samuel A	\$ 1,177.00	Cormier, Roland	\$ 45,093.48
Branconnier, Philip	\$ 560.00	Cornoni, Donna M	\$ 46,539.15
Brennick, Hank	\$ 1,200.00	Coskery Jr, John W	\$ 51,378.74
Brickett, Jonathan R	\$ 75,208.51	Cote, David L	\$ 52,253.55
Britner, Darcie W.	\$ 32,894.48	Cote, Francis R	\$ 2,122.00
Brown, Pamela	\$ 46,991.70	Cote, Mark A.	\$ 150.00
Bruno, Mark C.	\$ 56,246.84	Cote, Suzanne L	\$ 46,709.71
Burke, Michael	\$ 52,066.04	Cronin, Michael	\$ 143,820.63
Burnham Jr., Gene A.	\$ 35,921.79	Cronin, Tracy Ann	\$ 63,029.83

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Croteau Jr., William J.	\$ 300.00	Galloway, James M.	\$ 1,300.00
Crovetti, Edwin D	\$ 78,524.25	Gaudet, Robert E	\$ 300.00
Crowley, Kathleen	\$ 50,156.40	Geanoulis, Nicholas J.	\$ 1,895.00
Cunningham, Matthew C.	\$ 85,895.53	Gette, Christopher L.	\$ 2,093.00
Curtis, George A	\$ 650.00	Gilbert, Brian M.	\$ 75,186.90
Dearborn, Peter E	\$ 52,592.99	Gordon, Sandra J.	\$ 75.00
Deguio, Craig	\$ 66,349.08	Greaney, Joseph M.	\$ 4,970.00
Deguio, Keith D.	\$ 50,916.40	Grimes, Ashley A.	\$ 3,222.50
Desmarais, Robert L.	\$ 70,941.48	Hall, Benjamin R.	\$ 2,229.38
Devlin, Karen J.	\$ 47,583.72	Handverger, Joshua A.	\$ 15,202.32
Dion, James J	\$ 68,990.81	Hanshaw, Thomas G	\$ 67,320.17
Dixon, Brian S	\$ 49,444.32	Hanwell, Stevan C	\$ 2,794.00
Doherty, Carol M.	\$ 113.04	Hartford, Michael P.	\$ 640.00
Dondero, Norman J	\$ 42,140.65	Hawkins, Kathryn A	\$ 20,466.81
Dondero, Stephen W	\$ 58,507.48	Haynes, Timothy	\$ 62,463.79
Donovan, Kevin F.	\$ 95,568.98	Heartquist, Allison	\$ 5,542.92
Donovan, Robert J	\$ 72,509.68	Higgins, James A	\$ 67,379.48
Dow, Brian A.	\$ 48,583.45	Hildt, David T.	\$ 3,000.00
Drouin, James W	\$ 57,175.43	Hinderer, Jennifer E.	\$ 47,975.07
Dunning, Sharon	\$ 34,810.97	Hinton, Dina T.	\$ 1,085.00
Emmells, Leo J.	\$ 661.30	Hlebica, Jonathan	\$ 1,492.80
Fahey, Joseph W	\$ 77,656.82	Hovanasian, Karen L	\$ 2,160.38
Fairchild, Grace C.	\$ 1,130.40	Hughes, Robert	\$ 47,555.40
Feinberg, Michael S	\$ 58,647.55	Hughes, Thomas G.	\$ 684.69
Field, Gary M	\$ 86,440.60	Ingham, Gary P	\$ 114,889.94
Firmes, James R	\$ 175.00	Jackson, Robert F.	\$ 1,760.00
Fitzpatrick, Victoria M	\$ 2,976.75	Jain, Nipun	\$ 55,336.40
Fournier, Glenn A	\$ 56,341.18	Janvrin, John D	\$ 38,394.36
Fournier, Ronald F.	\$ 18,579.40	Johnson, Damian A.	\$ 3,001.38
Frappier, Joshua D.	\$ 160.00	Kane Jr., John E.	\$ 57,531.05
Fraser, Daniel L.	\$ 2,914.83	Kezer III, Thatcher W.	\$ 57,230.72
Fredette Jr, Robert	\$ 85,296.83	Kezer, Meghan J.	\$ 384.00
Fredette, Raymond D	\$ 61,359.02	Kilgour, Laura J.	\$ 21,772.80
Freeman, Cornelia M	\$ 3,000.00	Kimball, Neal F.	\$ 51,499.81
Frost, Robert L	\$ 115,084.32	King, Ann Connolly	\$ 1,200.00
Gagnon, Mark D	\$ 133,306.92	King, Ian M.	\$ 724.50

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Kitchin, BonniJo	\$ 59,305.48	Mason, Jessica M.	\$ 5,265.00
Klein, Paula J.	\$ 31,436.05	Mason, Steven S	\$ 53,743.30
Klein, Steven	\$ 36,668.25	Mather, David B.	\$ 59,943.89
Kookan, Jason E.	\$ 58,525.74	Mather, Joelle M.	\$ 7,223.87
Koontz, Ronald D.	\$ 44,066.12	McBride, Barry J.	\$ 1,664.56
Kukene, James	\$ 75,136.63	McClure, Donna M.	\$ 1,200.00
LaGrasse, Brian J.	\$ 32,132.99	McGrane, Michael R	\$ 44,446.06
Landry, Raymond R.	\$ 91,802.89	McGregor, Iain	\$ 47,906.54
Lankin, Marc A.	\$ 57,791.38	Merrill III, Richard B.	\$ 52,161.03
Lavoie, Robert W.	\$ 1,200.00	Merrill, Keith	\$ 22,532.01
Lawler, Kathryn D.	\$ 3,224.50	Mirandi, Laura E	\$ 550.00
Lawrence, Christopher	\$ 1,500.00	Mittermayer, Gisela	\$ 8,091.30
LeBlanc, Justin	\$ 33,920.17	Moore, Alicia J.	\$ 1,769.21
Leary, Brendon J.	\$ 4,320.00	Moore, Barbara D	\$ 3,000.00
Leary, Sean	\$ 89,378.03	Moore, Michael F	\$ 58,612.47
Leblanc, Brian J	\$ 81,428.01	Moran, Brian W.	\$ 58,769.32
Lee-Poulin, Jennifer A	\$ 8,268.80	Morin, Suzanne M	\$ 750.00
Lefebvre, Heather	\$ 1,134.38	Morrill Jr, Earl G	\$ 53,009.01
Legere, Kathleen A.	\$ 13,151.95	Morrill, Gerard	\$ 58,234.81
Lemieux, Julie	\$ 11,941.60	Morrill, Jonathan	\$ 2,544.68
Lesage, Carl A	\$ 20,625.66	Mortz, Gail M	\$ 2,164.25
Lesage, Craig	\$ 37,452.48	Motsis, Donna L	\$ 47,976.88
Levesque, Aimee L.	\$ 1,852.50	Muise, Lindsay M.	\$ 3,420.00
Lickteig, Donna M	\$ 45,539.30	Mullaley, Thomas O	\$ 50,924.60
Lickteig, William J	\$ 63,346.46	Mulrenin, Kevin	\$ 78,784.99
Lindstrom, Alison M.	\$ 1,200.00	Muse, Abigail S.	\$ 2,484.38
Locke, Pamela M.	\$ 45,732.40	Muse, Curtis D	\$ 1,250.00
Lorden, George R.	\$ 57,009.82	Muse, David N	\$ 524.50
Losier, Donald C.	\$ 6,650.00	Muse, Kerry L.	\$ 11,988.25
Lucier, Michael E.	\$ 50,971.99	Nadeau, Denis	\$ 58,625.70
Lufkin, Maureen C	\$ 6,857.50	Nichols, Thomas C.	\$ 75,487.09
Lynch, Colleen S.	\$ 393.75	Nicolaisen, Janet L	\$ 54,591.78
Mahoney, Kelly	\$ 44,464.93	Nikas, Elizabeth M.	\$ 33,089.80
Mainville, Mary	\$ 36,337.78	Nolan, James M	\$ 54,067.50
Marino, Mary	\$ 69,756.74	Nolan, Melissa A.	\$ 1,508.76
Mason, Jeffrey R	\$ 74,038.50	Noyes, David P.	\$ 92,229.25

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Nunes, Kristina	\$ 2,009.00	Scalesse, Deborah A	\$ 242.00
Ouellet, Kevin J	\$ 97,135.01	Schimming-White, Martha	\$ 100.00
Oxton, Diane M	\$ 10,783.17	Scholtz, William A	\$ 89,923.67
Pagel, Jonathan B.	\$ 1,563.75	Schwer, Rebecca	\$ 2,700.00
Pagel, Margarethe A.	\$ 3,459.00	Seamans, Sarah	\$ 29,570.80
Pare, David S	\$ 90,688.28	Shellene, Richard P.	\$ 55,254.78
Pare, Normand W	\$ 300.00	Shute, Kevin W.	\$ 1,850.46
Patterson, Matthew	\$ 52,515.16	Shute, William F	\$ 87,384.20
Paulhus, Edward S	\$ 20,921.60	Snow, William	\$ 4,296.39
Pelletier, Michaela M	\$ 45,751.71	Spadafora, Michelle B	\$ 2,125.00
Pendoley, Kathryn E.	\$ 959.00	Spector, Lori Beth	\$ 47,892.64
Perkins, Jessica	\$ 2,682.75	Speicher M., Anne	\$ 42,182.53
Perrotta-Dow, Debra	\$ 3,001.38	Spinale, Richard J.	\$ 65,900.00
Picard, Robert T	\$ 55,903.54	Stanwood, Theodore P.	\$ 55,827.78
Pierce, Laurie A	\$ 39,817.99	Stephens, Gia M.	\$ 35,286.30
Pinierio, Mario J.	\$ 1,200.00	Stuart, Carol A	\$ 5,543.50
Poulin, Richard A	\$ 85,899.65	Surette, Kenneth P.	\$ 1,500.00
Powell, Liam J.	\$ 847.89	Swan, Elizabeth A.	\$ 36,612.80
Provencher, Jill	\$ 1,645.00	Swenson, Donald	\$ 5,000.04
Purvinis, Marie	\$ 780.00	Swenson, Matthew J.	\$ 448.56
Purvis, Michael	\$ 85,037.67	Szymkowski, Patrick	\$ 405.12
Queenan, Cynthia A.	\$ 657.25	Therriault, Helen M.	\$ 36,612.80
Ranshaw-Fiorello, Colleen	\$ 9,952.20	Therriault, Rachel	\$ 2,648.25
Reed, Christine H	\$ 47,096.61	Thone, Michelle M.	\$ 1,200.00
Reed, Kerri A.	\$ 48,216.72	Thurlow, Roger E	\$ 5,318.30
Reed, Steven G.	\$ 75,978.39	Tickelis, Emanuel	\$ 46,167.70
Regis, Jessica M.	\$ 1,341.00	Toleos, Candice L.	\$ 36,738.28
Reid, Courtney E.	\$ 1,593.76	Toleos, Denise M	\$ 44,557.80
Reidy, Margaret C.	\$ 686.00	Torrey, Heather A	\$ 1,110.00
Reifke Jr., Richard	\$ 36,867.29	Trencher, Anne	\$ 1,031.00
Rexford, Gregory M	\$ 62,866.37	Trezise, Heather	\$ 3,480.00
Ricker, Russell T.	\$ 50,374.08	Trezise, Sheryl C	\$ 59,158.35
Ring, Shaunna M.	\$ 44,790.36	Valle, Linda F.	\$ 8,349.98
Rogers, Thomas S	\$ 66,931.06	Veilleux, Marie L	\$ 48,862.78
Rowlands, Zillah M	\$ 517.75	Ventura, Deborah L.	\$ 57,791.38
Sanborn, Jack V	\$ 21,192.14	Verret-Speck, Anne E.	\$ 59,737.35

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Walker, Marjorie A.	\$ 45,668.35		
Ward, Kevin M	\$ 66,281.80		
Welford, Emma J.	\$ 1,152.75		
White, Sharon L.	\$ 6,350.31		
Wile, Robert F.	\$ 96,756.94		
Wilson, Barry J	\$ 73,700.43		
Woodward, Ashley N.	\$ 973.00		
Worthen, Jeffrey P	\$ 94,191.05		
Worthen, Sherrie	\$ 47,322.32		
Wright, Gary B	\$ 60,096.77		
Yeames, Susan R.	\$ 10,414.63		
York, Ryan L.	\$ 46,895.38		
Zelano, Catherina	\$ 41,349.00		

SCHOOLS

Abramson, Hope J	\$ 67,062.70	Barnaby, Leslie A	\$ 59,917.94
Ackerman, Thad J	\$ 68,857.70	Barrett, Darcy J	\$ 14,324.75
Adams, Wayne P	\$ 82,618.56	Barry, Janet L	\$ 38,607.66
Ahlstrom, Caryn M	\$ 450.00	Bartkiewicz, Ann	\$ 64,946.64
Allred, Mark	\$ 50,923.00	Bartlett, Carol L	\$ 39,419.80
Anderson, Valerie	\$ 862.50	Basque, Cheryl A	\$ 49,192.15
Angell, Nancy	\$ 675.00	Bastien, Steven R	\$ 70,059.92
Angerhofer, Timothy E	\$ 43,912.29	Bazenas, Michelle P	\$ 57,235.37
Ankiewicz, Katherine J	\$ 19,822.75	Bean, Matthew E	\$ 34,626.78
Ashton, Julianne	\$ 10,005.67	Beaudoin, Kathy R	\$ 41,852.99
Audet, Rebecca	\$ 900.00	Beaulieu, Roger L	\$ 15,942.09
Audy, Michael J	\$ 2,950.00	Becotte, Jamie M.	\$ 61,091.14
Autio, Lisa A	\$ 2,362.50	Belanger, Terry	\$ 487.50
Axten, Margaret M	\$ 4,143.59	Belisle, Sarah E	\$ 18,884.56
Babine, Carol A	\$ 18,620.30	Benjamin, Maureen E	\$ 4,937.50
Bachman, Aviva	\$ 1,131.75	Bent, Derek M	\$ 59,116.54
Bailey, Andrea H	\$ 13,734.99	Berger, Marlene A	\$ 3,450.15
Bailey, Barbara R	\$ 60,860.44	Bernier, Linda L	\$ 15,839.62
Bailey, David	\$ 43,841.98	Berry, Catherine L	\$ 61,717.96
Bailey, Jay R	\$ 1,875.00	Berry, Lewis R	\$ 34,384.04
Bailey, Rosemarie J	\$ 163.92	Berube, Joy	\$ 40,645.67

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Bettencourt, Alice P	\$ 20,420.18	Cabana, Jerald A	\$ 61,362.51
Bishop-Jarman, Edna A	\$ 58,135.28	Caillouette, Patricia K	\$ 26,153.59
Bissaillon, Ernest J	\$ 70,454.73	Calvani, Dawn C	\$ 2,212.50
Bixby, Roberta E	\$ 35,655.00	Cameron, Wallis J	\$ 35,335.16
Blanchard, Patricia A	\$ 15,094.56	Campbell, Debbie Scholl	\$ 16,849.56
Blastos, Jean D	\$ 21,745.42	Campoli, Denise Minnard	\$ 68,436.26
Blood, Elaine T	\$ 34,679.97	Canepa, Beverly A	\$ 3,811.00
Blumenthal, Carla Renee	\$ 442.66	Canning, Robert W	\$ 43,257.64
Bolduc-Kelleher, Susan	\$ 56,048.72	Cartier, Deborah A	\$ 15,027.67
Bomba, Erica	\$ 937.50	Casali, Laurel B	\$ 59,235.75
Bonin, Nancy A	\$ 58,085.67	Cash, Briana N	\$ 9,640.83
Boody, Amanda L	\$ 4,074.00	Cashman, Suzanne R	\$ 59,176.08
Boody, Maureen A	\$ 57,112.03	Cassidy Jr, James E	\$ 64,961.52
Borylo, Bruce L	\$ 1,725.00	Casto, Mark J	\$ 51,309.45
Boschen, Kevin M	\$ 1,040.00	Cavalier, Beth A	\$ 58,099.16
Bouchard, Susan A	\$ 19,154.28	Chamberlain, Judy	\$ 112.50
Bourgeois, Anita	\$ 1,414.21	Chandler, Joan B	\$ 16,040.28
Bowes, Michael H	\$ 67,352.29	Chaput, Emily	\$ 200.00
Bradley, Patricia J	\$ 62,314.66	Chaput, Glenn A	\$ 1,104.00
Bragg, Samuel A	\$ 18,593.53	Charette, Brigitte K	\$ 33,931.15
Brannelly, Karen C	\$ 52,124.57	Chaurette, Charles L	\$ 128,656.06
Brockmyre, Jean C	\$ 60,235.03	Cheney, Rebecca	\$ 1,125.00
Brooks, Walter A	\$ 39,216.04	Choquette, Lynette L	\$ 372.84
Brosnan, Elizabeth A	\$ 64,011.17	Chorebanian, Dale A	\$ 3,062.50
Brown, Gregg M	\$ 53,324.26	Cignetti, Peter R	\$ 4,124.00
Brown, Peggi Anne	\$ 67,802.50	Claffey, Janet F	\$ 67,895.26
Brown, Robert A	\$ 1,425.00	Claffey, William H	\$ 73,141.90
Bruce, Jake D	\$ 5,245.00	Clancey, Violeta P	\$ 11,951.52
Brunault, Janet	\$ 16,291.24	Clark, Linda D	\$ 34,854.95
Brunault, Robert N	\$ 2,325.00	Coco, Catherine	\$ 26,961.25
Buckley, Laura C	\$ 2,250.00	Coco, Laurie	\$ 258.12
Burke, Judith	\$ 47,297.96	Coco, Mikaela M	\$ 339.38
Burmeister, Frances G	\$ 6,911.95	Cohodas, Stephen A	\$ 150.00
Burnham Jr., Gene A.	\$ 6,968.00	Collins, Daniel F	\$ 22,617.36
Burnham, Gene A	\$ 4,468.00	Collins, Kristen R	\$ 20,332.71
Butts, Andrea M	\$ 16,980.67	Colton, Kristina M	\$ 53,658.69

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Connell, Courtney E	\$ 35,332.08	Donovan Jr, William	\$ 18,008.00
Connell, Sean T	\$ 1,875.00	Donovan, Terri L	\$ 18,828.00
Connor, Joan E S	\$ 2,709.60	Dosick, Susan M	\$ 61,159.31
Connors, Thomas H	\$ 63,187.15	Dower, Maryanne	\$ 63,946.36
Constantine, Donna	\$ 14,085.15	Duffy, Lisa B	\$ 13,233.78
Cook, Rebecca P	\$ 450.00	Dugan, Carol A	\$ 48,979.44
Cook, Roger C	\$ 1,800.00	Dunn, Christine A	\$ 3,524.18
Cooney, Glynis	\$ 300.00	Dunn, Corinne	\$ 34,522.35
Corriveau, Kathleen	\$ 69,003.06	Dunn, Sarah E	\$ 358.50
Costello, Joseph S	\$ 51,201.04	Dupere, Lisa A	\$ 45,945.66
Costello, Nicholas C	\$ 58,027.60	Dupere, Patricia	\$ 10,865.60
Cote Harding, Denise M	\$ 1,312.50	Eagan, Edward P	\$ 56,152.69
Cote, Shari A	\$ 22,939.09	Eaton, Debra A	\$ 11,051.99
Cowden, Marne D	\$ 16,933.25	Eaton, Linda A	\$ 10,615.26
Cramer, M Louise	\$ 53,275.65	Eaton, Wanda J	\$ 2,717.31
Croteau, Vicki A	\$ 3,825.00	Ebinger, Theresa F	\$ 58,465.67
Crovetti, Jeanne M	\$ 17,556.01	Eddy, Cathleen M	\$ 65,386.99
Cunningham, Stuart	\$ 375.00	Elfiki, Jacqueline Ann	\$ 37,872.96
Curry, Michael F	\$ 96,578.10	Elwell, Carol K	\$ 33,621.12
Curtin, Susan K	\$ 40,967.22	Emerson, Florence M	\$ 59,534.80
Cynewski, Althea R	\$ 16,043.17	Emerson, Sally A	\$ 11,057.83
Daileanes, Jennifer L	\$ 56,488.69	Engel, James M	\$ 450.00
Dannible, Peter A	\$ 47,114.66	Engel, Paulina V	\$ 112.50
Debasitis, Marilyn Rita	\$ 286.80	Evans, Robin J	\$ 19,015.22
Decelle, Bruce	\$ 3,735.86	Exner, Marybeth	\$ 71,728.27
Deegan, Andrea J	\$ 1,762.50	Fabre, Martine Ag	\$ 68,807.05
Del Savio, Bruce N	\$ 36,172.79	Fairbanks, Jacqueline D	\$ 8,400.00
Deplitch, James A	\$ 11,497.90	Farmer, Claire	\$ 2,100.00
Digennaro, Phyllis A	\$ 56,024.78	Farmer, Jean	\$ 12,915.88
Dignard, Erin	\$ 17,107.16	Farmer, Michael P	\$ 9,527.00
Dodier, George R	\$ 71,380.54	Farrell, Shawn M	\$ 75.00
Dodier, Joanna	\$ 15,895.71	Faulkner, Christine E	\$ 13,196.40
Dodier, Kevin G	\$ 375.00	Fedorchak, Lawrence W	\$ 4,340.00
Doherty, Betty L	\$ 75.00	Fegan, Geraldine J	\$ 34,866.32
Donadoni, Beth A	\$ 24,830.10	Ferguson, Katelyn M	\$ 19,004.81
Donahue, Maureen P	\$ 66,783.22	Ferrandini, Maria V	\$ 66,217.99

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Fetters, Michael C	\$ 44,769.28	Giarrosso Young, Linda	\$ 68,862.71
Field, Dawn M	\$ 15,351.31	Gilbert, Kathleen S	\$ 58,016.88
Field, Leslie A	\$ 450.00	Gilbert, Theresa	\$ 6,853.14
Finney, Susan M	\$ 219.38	Gintner, Diana Y	\$ 54,267.12
Firmes, James R	\$ 59,506.18	Glattstein, Lisa E	\$ 20,480.52
Fitzgerald, Kristin M	\$ 65,146.68	Glaubitz, Charles W	\$ 56,335.37
Fitzgerald, Linda N	\$ 12,958.59	Glennon, Kathleen M	\$ 30,272.76
Fitzpatrick, Victoria M	\$ 10,965.03	Glynn, Traci A	\$ 21,960.91
Flaherty, Edward J	\$ 59,335.75	Gobeil, Alex	\$ 2,010.00
Flanagan, Virginia	\$ 48,524.09	Godin, Cynthia A	\$ 28,190.48
Flanders, Deborah W	\$ 31,871.59	Gonthier, Susan J	\$ 18,512.90
Flanders, Elizabeth A	\$ 415.86	Goodrich, Grey E	\$ 5,105.00
Flanders, Jessica L	\$ 1,206.62	Goodwin, Cheryl A	\$ 112.50
Flynn, Ann Marie	\$ 58,586.35	Gray, Madelyn M	\$ 63,226.19
Foley, Adam	\$ 360.00	Greaney, Pamela J	\$ 14,389.78
Folsom, Roberta	\$ 3,811.00	Green, Philip A	\$ 34,586.70
Ford, Bradley K	\$ 54,509.91	Greenbaum, Gayle A	\$ 46,249.88
Fournier, Gary P	\$ 40,430.00	Greene, Carol J	\$ 46,224.69
Fowler, Katherine M	\$ 38,064.80	Greenfield, Karen L	\$ 46,148.26
Fredette, Norman A	\$ 51,984.26	Grot, Christine A	\$ 14,685.43
French, Ann C	\$ 57,985.67	Guilmette, Julie A	\$ 10,615.21
Froncki, Stanley S	\$ 47,975.02	Gwinn, Jeanne M	\$ 15,912.19
Frost, Ruthann	\$ 40,521.94	Hale, Meredith Armstrong	\$ 75.00
Fuller, Ann M	\$ 54,997.10	Halter, Vicky S	\$ 400.00
Furlong, Margaret T	\$ 71,959.72	Hamond, Norman Roy	\$ 89,079.91
Fusco, Gail	\$ 75.00	Hanley, Kay B	\$ 61,286.25
Gagnon, Pamela J	\$ 66,341.35	Hanscom, Susan M	\$ 46,124.69
Gallagher, Donald	\$ 5,112.12	Hanwell, Stevan C	\$ 5,175.00
Gallagher, Lynda Marie	\$ 22,105.00	Hardin, Maureen E	\$ 64,843.43
Gallagher, Patricia	\$ 65,036.64	Harrigan, Timothy J	\$ 225.00
Gallant, William R	\$ 58,940.37	Harris Jr, Les M	\$ 18,911.24
Galus, Jill G	\$ 59,427.93	Hart, Holly L	\$ 3,403.68
Gaudet, Catherine L	\$ 1,144.00	Hatt, Juanita M	\$ 73,829.70
Gavin, Kerry	\$ 6,234.43	Hawkes, Danielle M	\$ 5,550.00
Georges, Donna J	\$ 69,267.95	Hebert, Aisling C	\$ 611.84
Getchell, Rachel V	\$ 25,120.37	Hebert, Ann C	\$ 6,150.00

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Helliesen, Walter	\$ 30,681.81	Jones, Beth V	\$ 68,467.68
Hendrie, Ellen	\$ 5,656.75	Kakides, Susan H	\$ 60,008.89
Hentosh, Scott L	\$ 5,964.00	Kane, Brian	\$ 225.00
Herrera, Kim M	\$ 36,581.45	Kelleher, Gail A	\$ 13,799.00
Hewey, Deborah S	\$ 12,962.50	Kelley, Robert L	\$ 19,753.92
Higgins Stanton, Sandra	\$ 63,136.31	Kern, Susan W	\$ 34,051.15
Hill, Catherine A	\$ 53,347.60	King, Marie E	\$ 11,609.16
Hirbour, Linda J	\$ 19,219.24	Kligerman, Denise E	\$ 23.90
Hirschfeld, Lisa A	\$ 2,302.42	Knight, Barbara	\$ 200.00
Hodge, Ronda B	\$ 5,422.13	Korpusik, Gail M	\$ 53,884.18
Hoehn, Marybeth	\$ 61,225.83	Krafton, James M	\$ 11,633.68
Holt, Susan J	\$ 44,004.42	Kranz, Dwight D	\$ 59,645.23
Holway, Mary E	\$ 4,736.89	Krieger, Leah	\$ 562.50
Hoover, Diane M	\$ 57,677.52	LaBatte, Kimberly A	\$ 550.00
Hopkins, Brian C	\$ 52,500.85	LaFreniere, Amy M	\$ 17,438.85
Horan, Thomas R	\$ 53,054.07	LaMontagne, Kerstin	\$ 3,451.75
Hovanasian, Karen L	\$ 23,131.75	LaVerde, Lisa P	\$ 33,434.32
Howard, Madeleine	\$ 112.50	Labroad, Kerrie P	\$ 31,400.68
Hoyt, Patricia L	\$ 56,439.10	Laing, Alexandra F	\$ 37.50
Hoyt, Peter Brown	\$ 87,504.04	Lamson, Stacy	\$ 3,425.00
Hrubes, Jill W	\$ 11,830.39	Lang, Susan J	\$ 37,614.80
Huber, Diana L	\$ 12,711.73	Lannon, Juliet H	\$ 7,912.50
Hughes, Janice	\$ 2,627.01	Laufer, Margaret A	\$ 49,431.47
Hughes, Sally	\$ 14,140.50	Lauria, Phyllis M	\$ 19,753.92
Hulse, Jocelyn	\$ 5,728.02	Lavenson, Debra L	\$ 10,492.70
Hume, Starr L	\$ 30,950.66	Lawther, Kimberly A	\$ 1,467.89
Hutchinson, Elizabeth Ann	\$ 36,625.49	LeBlanc, Jessica	\$ 15,678.73
Iannotti, Marie E	\$ 860.40	LeVasseur, Joseph E	\$ 3,943.00
Iannuccillo, Paula E	\$ 26,810.02	Leahy, Nancy J	\$ 12,940.00
Imel, Telen S	\$ 39,423.13	Leary, Barbara	\$ 72,636.52
Iworsky, Karen	\$ 65,495.17	Leary, Christine M	\$ 53,865.90
Jack, George D	\$ 98,938.58	Lee-Poulin, Jennifer A	\$ 3,811.00
Jancewicz, Paul J	\$ 54,455.32	Leo, Fiore L	\$ 40,132.70
Jenkins, Karen M	\$ 56,735.37	Levesque, Patricia A	\$ 4,238.71
Jensen, Linda G	\$ 37,694.38	Liao, David Hung Hsiu	\$ 75.00
Johns, Felicity A	\$ 27,749.58	Lisaukas, Gail E	\$ 64,762.31

NAME	EARNINGS	NAME	EARNINGS
Lomanno, Janis A	\$ 14,860.29	McKenna, Erika A	\$ 5,195.74
Louis, Lyman O	\$ 225.00	McLane, Billie A	\$ 64,936.64
Lucier, Harry	\$ 8,812.50	McLaughlin, Gary T	\$ 29,632.28
Lufkin, Maureen C	\$ 23,550.54	McNulty, Lois	\$ 58,105.26
Lyman, John H	\$ 66,285.51	McQuade, Karen A	\$ 11,484.64
MacDougall, Robert E	\$ 3,650.00	Medvitz, Sanjay D	\$ 2,970.00
MacKinnon, Renee T	\$ 10,696.72	Mercier, Diane M	\$ 23,863.54
MacLean, Sandra M	\$ 22,474.21	Merrow, Joanne M	\$ 10,809.87
Mackenzie, Barbara	\$ 59,285.75	Merz, Daniel R	\$ 22,567.05
Maguire, Evelyn M	\$ 14,314.13	Meyer, Susanne E	\$ 58,840.81
Mailloux, Lisa J	\$ 16,412.42	Miller, Donald R	\$ 60,180.73
Mallane, Ann D	\$ 300.00	Miller, Kathleen J	\$ 117.00
Mamakos, Cathryn A	\$ 52,969.68	Mirandi, Laura E	\$ 56,685.37
Manoloff, Brett A	\$ 59,445.28	Mitchell, Mary L	\$ 14,036.49
Mansfield, Elizabeth	\$ 62,214.66	Mitchell, Susan	\$ 58,506.35
Manson, Barbara Lyons	\$ 4,612.50	Mondalto, Ann M	\$ 17,094.50
Marcoux, Rosalie	\$ 2,809.91	Mondalto, Jerome E	\$ 74,682.98
Maria, David	\$ 10,154.78	Mondalto, Roman M	\$ 5,180.00
Marinopoulos, Gretchen L	\$ 706.91	Morin, Jeannette	\$ 71.40
Marinucci, Shelly R	\$ 1,514.00	Morin, Suzanne M	\$ 63,936.31
Marsh, Anita F	\$ 62,063.26	Morrill, Kathleen A	\$ 33,319.97
Marshall, Nancy J	\$ 300.00	Morrill, Robert R	\$ 30,081.50
McAllister, Donna M	\$ 35,642.77	Morris, Elizabeth	\$ 56,934.16
McAllister, Lauri A	\$ 61,329.57	Morrison, Cathy A	\$ 14,553.92
McAndrews, Elizabeth S	\$ 39,423.13	Mortz, Gail M	\$ 15,150.29
McAtavey, Brenda L	\$ 61,736.23	Motsis, Christopher D	\$ 2,830.00
McBrien, Bruce A	\$ 62,545.67	Motsis, David A	\$ 2,122.00
McCann, Michael J	\$ 39,491.33	Motsis, Nicholas D	\$ 2,070.00
McCarthy, Patricia L	\$ 59,837.31	Mroz, Susan N Hartnett	\$ 50,621.09
McComiskey, Betsey Ann R	\$ 24,033.17	Mueller, Marianne	\$ 40,243.02
McConnell, Jennifer	\$ 11,476.38	Munroe, Russell J	\$ 57,002.01
McDermit, Patricia A	\$ 9,917.49	Murphy, Deborah C	\$ 18,331.68
McDonald, Maureen H	\$ 150.00	Murphy, Susanne L	\$ 23,834.04
McDonough, Mary E	\$ 1,500.00	Murray, Andrew J	\$ 7,175.00
McGrath, Denise H	\$ 25,975.44	Murray, Doreen	\$ 150.00
McGrath, Maryann	\$ 46,913.67	Murray, Florence	\$ 630.00

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Murray, Leslie R	\$ 106,028.00	Perry, Christopher	\$ 73,401.23
Myszkowski, Karen	\$ 34,604.99	Peterson, Ann A S	\$ 33,306.28
Nadeau, Anne M	\$ 31,704.95	Peterson, Jean R	\$ 62,899.92
Nadeau, Helen M	\$ 34,604.99	Peterson, Richard	\$ 61,074.80
Nash, Sharon A	\$ 35,067.53	Philcrantz, Julia C	\$ 37,889.24
Naughton, Diane	\$ 478.00	Pierce, Kevin M	\$ 51,664.74
NicklessTroyli, Margaret E	\$ 450.00	Pierce, Norman E	\$ 4,911.38
Nicol, Marianne R	\$ 13,858.72	Pierce, Patrice	\$ 39,693.67
Noon, Martha J	\$ 7,420.21	Pike, Raymond R	\$ 300.00
Noon, Michael	\$ 65,436.17	Pike, Robert A	\$ 4,468.00
Northrop, Sandra J	\$ 75.00	Piver, Donna S	\$ 62,689.65
Noyes, Bonnie L	\$ 144.00	Pope, Elliot	\$ 600.00
Noyes, Jane	\$ 487.50	Pratt, Elizabeth M R	\$ 241.00
O'Connor, Steven M	\$ 77,154.87	Pratt, Karen L	\$ 14,553.92
O'Flaherty, Rory W	\$ 75.00	Pray, Joelyn A	\$ 21,892.13
O'Hala, Susan L	\$ 16,305.57	Pressler, Ronald R	\$ 20,363.91
O'Hearn, Ann	\$ 225.00	Pritchard, John	\$ 8,362.50
ONeill, Rita M	\$ 42,012.21	Proulx, David J	\$ 36,386.06
Olsen, Susan L	\$ 58,577.52	Provencher, Jill	\$ 8,484.84
Ortu, Joan	\$ 1,275.00	Provost, Karen J	\$ 4,710.83
Osborne Trussell, Leea C	\$ 71,210.40	Quadros, Jose A	\$ 5,651.00
Ouellet, Abby L	\$ 8,111.24	Queenan, James J	\$ 73,661.73
Ouellet, Helen J	\$ 65,183.64	Queenan, Lynn D	\$ 31,073.16
Oxford, Sally A	\$ 913.32	Quigley, Allison M	\$ 150.00
Oxton, Diane M	\$ 14,629.86	Quinlan, Carole A	\$ 61,386.20
Pancoast, Laurie B	\$ 50,834.05	Quintal, Kathleen M	\$ 2,175.00
Pardi, Lynne A	\$ 75.00	Raber, Irene M	\$ 43,518.10
Pare, David A.	\$ 832.50	Randall, Katherine	\$ 68,223.90
Parker, Karin A	\$ 4,141.80	Ransleben, Holly	\$ 6,530.62
Parkinson, Kenneth B	\$ 67,937.70	Reblin, Patricia A	\$ 46,774.00
Patten, Catherine	\$ 65,196.64	Reese, Rebecca M	\$ 46,589.34
Pearson, David	\$ 450.00	Regan, Julie A	\$ 35,886.04
Pelletier, Dawn	\$ 75.00	Regis, Aaron	\$ 1,400.00
Pelletier, Sarah J	\$ 54,337.10	Regis, Gale A	\$ 56,562.49
Pendergast, Diane M	\$ 58,327.52	Regis, Jessica M.	\$ 1,350.00
Perrott, Nissa L	\$ 75.00	Reppucci, Cynthia L	\$ 26,606.61

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Reynolds, Christopher R	\$ 2,943.70	Sellars, Sharon	\$ 35,617.44
Rich, Brenda L	\$ 16,165.71	Sheehan, Jeanne M	\$ 17,484.34
Richard, Charlene M	\$ 2,760.00	Shepard, Kimberly A	\$ 14,287.02
Richard, Kathleen F	\$ 1,780.50	Shields, Cynthia	\$ 58,085.26
Richard, Melissa A	\$ 100.00	Shirshac, Mary Ellen	\$ 5,629.77
Richards, Kathryn	\$ 8,306.58	Simmons, John J	\$ 35,563.15
Richardson, Anne E	\$ 37,905.95	Simmons, Patricia L	\$ 34,104.98
Richmond, Cynthia C	\$ 52,011.51	Slevoski, Nicholas B	\$ 1,120.00
Riley, Karen M	\$ 61,599.35	Smith, Brian A	\$ 57,466.10
Rinaldi, Mark E	\$ 48,122.25	Smith, Jennifer E	\$ 75.00
Ringuette, Jayne R Lickteig	\$ 8,400.00	Smith, Wendy L	\$ 22,711.86
Ritter, Kendra J	\$ 12,132.99	Snay, Lauren L	\$ 8,492.10
Roaf, Richard J	\$ 3,548.00	Sorkin, Susan M	\$ 12,260.85
Rochon, Lisa M	\$ 31,675.54	Spadafora, Michelle B	\$ 600.00
Rogers, Marguerite J	\$ 2,984.00	Speicher, Judy C	\$ 12,430.00
Rogers, Sean M	\$ 28,199.46	St Germain, David C	\$ 70,036.70
Romero, Carolyn A	\$ 975.00	St Louis, Anna M	\$ 150.00
Routhier, Christina C	\$ 13,635.98	Stellmach, Marcia L	\$ 58,751.57
Rowlands, Zillah M	\$ 42,703.84	Stellmach, Sean A	\$ 66.92
Roy, Marie T	\$ 2,287.50	Stokel Jr, Edward	\$ 54,685.83
Ruggiero, Angelo	\$ 10,935.96	Strauss, Catherine W	\$ 525.00
Rupp, Lisa M	\$ 51,516.73	Stuart, Carol A	\$ 25,831.29
Salter, Barbara	\$ 4,261.99	Sullivan, Nancy	\$ 68,117.70
Sanborn, Diana J	\$ 45,633.60	Swart, Sandra J	\$ 82,181.95
Sanborn, Normand R	\$ 279.72	Szymczak, Maureen D	\$ 45,192.25
Sanborn, Patricia M	\$ 58,704.63	Taft, Marjorie	\$ 67,545.27
Sanchez, Linda A	\$ 50,196.13	Tanzella, Michael J	\$ 12,396.10
Sandau, Marilyn R	\$ 69,065.13	Taplin, Sheila E	\$ 71,054.09
Sanford, Mildred	\$ 13,173.15	Tassinari, John D	\$ 2,960.00
Saurman, Susan M	\$ 59,704.35	Tassinari, Nina	\$ 60,207.39
Scalesse, Deborah A	\$ 15,683.23	Tavitian, Brenda Ann	\$ 3,349.11
Schalck, Becky L	\$ 21,701.74	Taylor, Clarissa	\$ 64,782.10
Scholtz, Kathryn J	\$ 67,787.71	Teel, Carol P	\$ 3,536.20
Schultz, Bonnie	\$ 75.00	Teel, Heidi G	\$ 120.00
Scott, Kathleen A	\$ 69,096.75	Teel, Lynn A	\$ 34,055.06
Seip, Theresa M	\$ 150.00	Terry, Priscilla A	\$ 14,049.84

NAME	EARNINGS	NAME	EARNINGS
Thompson, Kathleen M	\$ 4,200.00	Washburn, Holly A	\$ 41,097.70
Thompson, Lewis O	\$ 75.00	Waters, Jacqueline M	\$ 1,955.50
Thurlow, Matthew R	\$ 2,630.00	Welch, Christine T	\$ 18,382.08
Trickett, Paula A	\$ 10,127.87	Welch, Deborah A	\$ 67,707.71
Tully, Jessica B	\$ 21,177.41	Welch, Magaret A	\$ 42,084.38
Twombly, Brett A	\$ 55,794.57	Welch, Roger D	\$ 44,705.10
Uhlarik, Mary Ellen	\$ 57,985.67	Wesolowski, Michael A	\$ 56,512.57
Vachon, Deirdre	\$ 71,495.40	Whalen, Sarah	\$ 75.00
Vaillancourt, Michelle J	\$ 12,819.89	Whaley, Ruth L	\$ 41,480.46
Van Straaten, Daryl	\$ 712.50	Whitmore, Diana	\$ 544.92
Vautour, Janelle	\$ 803.04	Williams, Laurie A	\$ 41,861.04
Vichill, Cathy A	\$ 24,950.19	Williams, Scott D	\$ 51,866.82
Vincent, Stephanie E	\$ 803.04	Willwerth, Natalie M	\$ 1,200.00
Vowells, Michelle D	\$ 1,160.00	Woods, Catherine E	\$ 65,687.79
Walentuk, Margery	\$ 46,872.00	Woodsom, Donna	\$ 1,087.50
Walker Sr, Donald V	\$ 25,554.80	Woodward, Diane	\$ 1,052.99
Walker, Patricia A	\$ 225.00	Wright, Desiree C	\$ 1,160.27
Wall, Constance D	\$ 46,274.93	Yerdon, Frederick L	\$ 75.00
Wallack, Barbara	\$ 59,887.31	Yetman, Cynthia A	\$ 65,741.05
Walsh, Kristen S	\$ 68,389.80	Young Cignetti, Tricia A	\$ 42,986.98
Walsh, Patricia A	\$ 11,847.78	Zappala Stewart, Marie	\$ 48,010.26
Walton, Keith J	\$ 3,861.00	Zappala, Christine A	\$ 57,585.28
Ward, Robin T	\$ 32,705.04	Zgrodnik, Pamela B	\$ 7,603.82

ACADEMY

Bair, Kristin A	\$ 156.96	Murray, Andrew J	\$ 14,513.78
Cann, Isa B	\$ 2,458.80	NicklessTroyli, Margaret E	\$ 2,038.41
Georges, Donna J	\$ 26,204.32	Noseworthy, Bethany L	\$ 48,185.30
Grosky, Carol A	\$ 42,574.50	Silverman, Robert B	\$ 22,078.75
Kennedy, Florence	\$ 6,446.13	Smiertelny, Elyse J	\$ 13,095.75
Mainville, Alice S.	\$ 30,367.25	Tannian, Melissa I	\$ 17,517.96
Marescalchi, Alicia L	\$ 41,562.58	Wright, Charles B	\$ 18,099.42
McCarthy, David G	\$ 20,506.92		
Milley, Diane	\$ 13,896.65		
Mintz, Barbara A.	\$ 5,812.14		
Mulligan, James F	\$ 34,009.18		

AUDIT REPORT

TOWN OF AMESBURY, MASSACHUSETTS

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

JUNE 30, 2006

	Governmental <u>Activities</u>	Business-Type <u>Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>
ASSETS			
Current:			
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 13,460,018	\$ 184,626	\$ 13,644,644
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:			
Property taxes	711,032	-	711,032
Excises	363,396	-	363,396
User fees	-	2,365,840	2,365,840
Departmental and other	263,373	-	263,373
Intergovernmental	1,523,842	-	1,523,842
Noncurrent:			
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:			
Property taxes	143,326	-	143,326
Deferred assets	109,492	-	109,492
Capital Assets:			
Land and construction in progress	3,127,762	1,053,846	4,181,608
Other capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>48,038,300</u>	<u>30,317,745</u>	<u>78,356,045</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	67,740,541	33,921,857	101,662,398
LIABILITIES			
Current:			
Warrants payable	676,572	-	676,572
Accrued liabilities	3,320,541	736,966	4,057,507
Notes payable	10,671,206	1,541,071	12,212,277
Current portion of long-term liabilities:			
Bonds payable	1,354,870	1,163,371	2,518,241
Noncurrent:			
Bonds payable, net of current portion	13,370,878	18,755,116	32,125,994
Other liabilities, net of current portion	<u>504,311</u>	<u>56,825</u>	<u>561,136</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	29,898,378	22,253,349	52,151,727
NET ASSETS			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	26,888,624	9,950,389	36,839,013
Restricted for:			
Grants and other statutory restrictions	3,045,183	-	3,045,183
Permanent funds:			
Nonexpendable	600,054	-	600,054
Unrestricted	<u>7,308,302</u>	<u>1,718,119</u>	<u>9,026,421</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$ <u>37,842,163</u>	\$ <u>11,668,508</u>	\$ <u>49,510,671</u>

TOWN OF AMESBURY, MASSACHUSETTS

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006

	General	High School Project	Cashman School Project	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:					
Property taxes	\$ 27,203,837	\$ -	\$ -	-	\$ 27,203,837
Excise taxes	1,746,555	-	-	-	1,746,555
Penalties, interest and other taxes	211,330	-	-	-	211,330
Charges for services	-	-	-	719,637	719,637
Intergovernmental	14,920,630	11,596,556	5,000,000	5,889,088	37,406,274
Licenses and permits	651,373	-	-	-	651,373
Fines and forfeitures	166,059	-	-	-	166,059
Investment income	282,107	-	-	31,300	313,407
Miscellaneous	354,385	2,109	-	277,076	633,570
Total Revenues	<u>45,536,276</u>	<u>11,598,665</u>	<u>5,000,000</u>	<u>6,917,101</u>	<u>69,052,042</u>
Expenditures:					
Current:					
General government	2,053,743	-	-	1,334,553	3,388,296
Public safety	6,095,448	-	-	388,343	6,483,791
Education	23,699,893	6,439,012	15,115	4,384,203	34,538,223
Public works	2,655,320	-	-	777,025	3,432,345
Health and human services	413,285	-	-	8,946	422,231
Culture and recreation	541,650	-	-	182,409	724,059
Employee benefits	3,830,018	-	-	-	3,830,018
Debt service	2,582,047	-	-	-	2,582,047
Intergovernmental	3,376,748	-	-	-	3,376,748
Total Expenditures	<u>45,248,152</u>	<u>6,439,012</u>	<u>15,115</u>	<u>7,075,479</u>	<u>58,777,758</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	288,124	5,159,653	4,984,885	(158,378)	10,274,284
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfers in	645,100	-	-	835,353	1,480,453
Transfers out	(778,462)	-	-	(712,510)	(1,490,972)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(133,362)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>122,843</u>	<u>(10,519)</u>
Change in fund balance	154,762	5,159,653	4,984,885	(35,535)	10,263,765
Fund Balance, at Beginning of Year	1,443,275	(10,361,191)	(4,900,157)	3,927,461	(9,890,612)
Fund Balance, at End of Year	<u>\$ 1,598,037</u>	<u>\$ (5,201,538)</u>	<u>\$ 84,728</u>	<u>\$ 3,891,926</u>	<u>\$ 373,153</u>

TOWN OF AMESBURY, MASSACHUSETTS

PROPRIETARY FUNDS

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

JUNE 30, 2006

	Business-Type Activities Enterprise Funds		
	Sewer Fund	Water Fund	Total
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Current:			
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 51,336	\$ 133,290	\$ 184,626
User fees, net of allowance for uncollectibles	1,269,864	1,095,776	2,365,640
Total current assets	1,321,200	1,229,066	2,550,266
Noncurrent:			
Capital assets not being depreciated	331,418	722,428	1,053,846
Capital assets being depreciated, net of accumulated depreciation	21,090,143	9,227,602	30,317,745
Total noncurrent assets	21,421,561	9,950,030	31,371,591
TOTAL ASSETS	22,742,761	11,179,096	33,921,857
<u>LIABILITIES</u>			
Current:			
Accrued liabilities	680,101	56,865	736,966
Notes payable	1,541,071	-	1,541,071
Current portion of long-term liabilities:			
Bonds payable	825,121	338,250	1,163,371
Total current liabilities	3,046,293	395,115	3,441,408
Noncurrent:			
Bonds payable, net of current portion	14,215,264	4,539,852	18,755,116
Other liabilities, net of current portion	26,825	30,000	56,825
Total noncurrent liabilities	14,242,089	4,569,852	18,811,941
TOTAL LIABILITIES	17,288,382	4,964,967	22,253,349
<u>NET ASSETS</u>			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	4,866,023	5,084,366	9,950,389
Unrestricted	588,356	1,129,763	1,718,119
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$ 5,454,379	\$ 6,214,129	\$ 11,668,508

TOWN OF AMESBURY, MASSACHUSETTS

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS

JUNE 30, 2006

	Pension Trust Fund (As of <u>December 31, 2005</u>)	Private Purpose Trust Funds	Agency Funds
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 988,256	\$ 1,765,809	\$ 124,415
Investments	30,926,570	-	-
Accounts receivable	<u>4,590</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Assets	31,919,416	1,765,809	124,415
<u>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</u>			
Other liabilities	<u>26,489</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>124,415</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>26,489</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>124,415</u>
<u>NET ASSETS</u>			
Total net assets held in trust for pension benefits and other purposes	\$ <u>31,892,927</u>	\$ <u>1,765,809</u>	\$ <u>-</u>